

PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
GRAND LODGE
OF
Ancient Free and Accepted Masons
OF
MINNESOTA

AT THE FIFTY-FIFTH ANNUAL COMMUNICATION HELD AT
ST. PAUL, JANUARY 22 AND 23,

1908.

OFFICIATING:

M.:W.: GUSTAF WIDELL, Mankato, Grand Master.
R.:W.: JOHN FISHEL, St. Paul, Grand Secretary.

ELECTED AND INSTALLED:

M.:W.: WILLIAM P. ROBERTS, Minneapolis, Grand Master.
R.:W.: JOHN FISHEL, St. Paul, Grand Secretary.

ORDERED TO BE READ IN ALL THE LODGES.

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OFFICERS GRAND LODGE A. F. & A. M. OF MINNESOTA

Installed January 23, 1908.

ELECTED.

M. W. BRO. WILLIAM P. ROBERTS, Minneapolis..Grand Master
R. W. BRO. EUGENE E. SWAN, Stewart.....Deputy Grand Master
R. W. BRO. WILLIAM B. PATTON, Duluth.....Senior Grand Warden
R. W. BRO. ELMER A. KLING, Little Falls.....Junior Grand Warden
R. W. BRO. DAVID W. KNOWLTON, Minneapolis.....Grand Treasurer
R. W. BRO. JOHN FISHEL, St. Paul.....Grand Secretary

APPOINTED.

W. BRO. WILLIAM C. ODELL, Chaska.....Grand Orator
W. BRO. GEORGE E. SATTERLEE, St. Paul.....Grand Chaplain
W. BRO. OWEN MORRIS, St. Paul.....Senior Grand Deacon
W. BRO. LESLIE A. HANES, Albert Lea.....Junior Grand Deacon
W. BRO. ROBERT E. DENFELD, Duluth.....Grand Marshal
W. BRO. WILLIAM A. HAWKINS, Marshall...Grand Standard Bearer
W. BRO. ELBERT W. ROSSMAN, Chatfield.....Grand Sword Bearer
W. BRO. FRANK J. MEYST, Minneapolis.....Senior Grand Steward
W. BRO. GEORGE D. LA BAR, Brainerd.....Junior Grand Steward
W. BRO. RUSSELL SPICER, Willmar.....Grand Pursuivant
W. BRO. JOHN H. LUDWIG, Merriam Park.....Grand Tyler

COMMITTEE ON CORRESPONDENCE.

IRVING TODD, Hastings. JOHN FISHEL, St. Paul.

A. O. EBERHART, Mankato.

BOARD OF CUSTODIANS.

DAVID W. KNOWLTON, Minneapolis, Chairman.

WM. R. SMITH, Benson.

JOHN H. SPROUT, Blue Earth.

HENRY M. TUSLER, St. Paul.

JOHN COX, Duluth.

OFFICERS GRAND CHAPTER ROYAL ARCH MASONS.

Installed October 8, 1907.

M. E. Comp. GEO. N. HOUGHTON, Minneapolis....Grand High Priest
M. E. Comp. JOHN FISHEL, St. Paul.....Grand Secretary

OFFICERS GRAND COUNCIL ROYAL AND SELECT MASTERS.

Installed October 7, 1907.

M. I. Comp. CHARLES B. JOHNSON, Red Wing.....Grand Master
M. I. Comp. JOHN FISHEL, St. Paul.....Grand Recorder

OFFICERS GRAND COMMANDERY KNIGHTS TEMPLAR.

Installed April 24, 1907.

R. E. Sir Knight W. HAYES LAIRD, Winona.....Grand Commander
E. Sir Knight JOHN FISHEL, St. Paul.....Acting Grand Recorder

RULES FOR MASONIC DATES.

1. *Ancient Craft Masons*—Add 4000 to the current year, thus:
A. D. 1908+4000=A. I. (Anno Lucis—year of light) 5908.
2. *Royal Arch Masons*—Add 530 to the current year, thus: A. D.
1908+530=A. I. (Anno Inventionis—year of discovery) 2438.
3. *Royal and Select Masters*—Add 1000 to the current year, thus:
A. D. 1908+1000=A. Dep. (Anno Depositionis—year of deposit) 2908.
4. *Knights Templar*—Subtract 1118 from the current year, thus:
A. D. 1908—1118=A. O. (Anno Ordinis—year of the Order) 790.

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OF THE
M.:W.:Grand Lodge of A.:F.:& A.:M.:
OF MINNESOTA.

FIFTY-FIFTH ANNUAL COMMUNICATION.

ST. PAUL, WEDNESDAY, Jan. 22, 1908.

The Fifty-Fifth Annual Communication of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Minnesota was held in the Masonic Hall on Fifth Street, in the City of St. Paul, commencing at high twelve on Wednesday, January 22, A. D. 1908, A.°. L.°. 5908.

All the Grand Officers were present except the Junior Grand Warden and Grand Standard Bearer. Bro. Wm. B. Patton (79) was appointed acting Junior Grand Warden and Bro. W. A. Nolan (121) acting Grand Standard Bearer. During the session 223 Lodges were represented out of 246 on the roll.

The M.:W.: Grand Master appointed the following brethren to assist the Grand Deacons: A. G. Pinkham (171), W. A. Hawkins (119), E. E. Dickey (97), E. K. Coe (79).

The Grand Lodge was opened in AMPLE FORM by Grand Master Gustaf Widell, Bro. Geo. E. Satterlee, Grand Chaplain, offering prayer.

Grand Secretary Fishel appointed Bros. E. C. Shibley (191) and Chas. P. Montgomery (185) his assistants.

Visiting brethren were assigned to seats in the gallery.

The Grand Master appointed the following Committee on Credentials: John Fishel, Grand Secretary, J. E. Peterson (227) and H. J. Herder (8).

Proxies were called for and handed in to the committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS.

A roll of all brethren entitled to seats having been prepared by the Grand Secretary, those present, including proxies, were noted as he called the roll, and the committee, after reporting, were continued to make additions and corrections during the session. The following is their corrected report:

To the M.: W.: Grand Lodge:

Your Committee on Credentials respectfully report that there are present, and entitled to seats, 15 Grand Officers, 17 permanent members, 22 District Deputy Grand Masters, and 351 Representatives of 223 out of 246 active chartered Lodges, including 85 proxies as follows:

GRAND OFFICERS.

M.:W.:Bro. Gustaf Widell.....	Grand Master
R.:W.:Bro. William P. Roberts.....	Deputy Grand Master
R.:W.:Bro. Eugene E. Swan.....	Senior Grand Warden
R.:W.:Bro. Wm. B. Patton.....	as Junior Grand Warden
R.:W.:Bro. David W. Knowlton.....	Grand Treasurer
R.:W.:Bro. John Fishel.....	Grand Secretary
W.:Bro. A. O. Eberhart.....	Grand Orator
W.:Bro. George E. Satterlee.....	Grand Chaplain
W.:Bro. Elmer A. Kling.....	Senior Grand Deacon
W.:Bro. Edwin H. Foot.....	Junior Grand Deacon
W.:Bro. Owen Morris.....	Grand Marshal
W.:Bro. W. A. Nolan.....	as Grand Standard Bearer
W.:Bro. O. M. Botsford.....	Grand Sword Bearer
W.:Bro. John A. Schlener.....	Senior Grand Steward
W.:Bro. Jacob L. Berthold.....	Junior Grand Steward
W.:Bro. Frank E. Cady.....	Grand Pursuivant
W.:Bro. John H. Ludwig.....	Grand Tyler

PERMANENT MEMBERS.

Past Grand Masters—E. W. Durant, Henry R. Wells, Henry R. Denny, Calvin L. Brown, Alonzo T. Stebbins, Alonzo Brandenburg, Gideon S. Ives, Ambrose D. Countryman, Henry R. Adams, Wm. A. McGonagle, Henry M. Tusler, Thomas Morris.

Past Senior Grand Wardens—Samuel E. Adams, Edgar Nash.

Past Junior Grand Wardens—William B. Patton, James D. Markham.

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS.

No. 2, Geo. T. Williams; 3, L. A. Barnes; 4, Olof Dalheim; 5, Hugh C. McGuren; 7, Chas. A. Dickey; 9, John G. Hayter; 10, Wm. R. Smith; 12, George P. Dickinson; 13, Frank H. McCuskey; 15, E. C. Shibley; 16, Hayden French; 17, J. R. Butters; 18, Wm. C. Odell; 21, Wm. A. Hawkins; 22, Enos P. Dotson; 23, Robert B. Forrest; 26, L. M. Hollister; 27, L. A. Hanes; 28, John McCabe; 29, J. F. M. Cooper; 30, George L. Wood; 34, F. A. Duxbury.

REPRESENTATIVES OF LODGES 1908.

No. 1.	St. Johns.....	J. Q. Mackintosh, W. M. Gilbert W. Davis, S. W. C. E. Hawkins, J. W.
2.	Cataract	Frank J. Meyst, W. M. Wm. G. Whitcomb, S. W. W. H. J. Pearce, proxy for J. W.
3.	St. Paul	Fenton G. Warner, W. M. Thos. P. Edwards, S. W. Albert J. Willard, J. W.
4.	Hennepin	Horace M. Weston, W. M. Gus. S. Nelson, S. W. Ralph D. Webb, proxy for J. W.
5.	Ancient Landmark..	Mark O. Nelson, S. W. Jas. D. Denegre, J. W.
7.	Dakota	J. A. Holmquist, W. M. Irving Todd, proxy for J. W.
8.	Red Wing	H. J. Herder, W. M. C. L. Kellogg, S. W.
9.	Faribault	O. M. Henderson, proxy for W. M. J. S. Seeley, S. W. W. A. Richards, J. W.
11.	Mantorville	Fred C. Calhoun, W. M.
12.	Mankato	Wm. F. Jewson, proxy for W. M. J. J. Flachsenhar, J. W.
14.	Wapahasa	M. W. Dady, W. M. Joseph Buisson, proxy for J. W.
16.	Monticello	C. S. Strout, W. M.
18.	Winona	P. E. Baumgartner, W. M. Charles W. Moyse, S. W. Charles Kroeger, J. W.
19.	Minneapolis	John A. Schlener, W. M.
20.	Caledonia	W. E. Browning, W. M.
21.	Rochester	O. C. Heyerdale, W. M. Theo. A. Schacht, S. W.

- No. 22. Pleasant Grove.....C. L. Denny, W. M.
Wm. Smith, S. W.
O. H. Page, proxy for J. W.
23. North Star.....Al. H. Leimbacher, W. M.
Jas. R. Bennett Jr., S. W.
A. L. Graburn, proxy for J. W.
24. WiltonJ. H. Elmore, W. M.
26. Western Star.....L. J. H. Land, W. M.
27. Blue Earth Valley...C. W. Hall, S. W.
28. Clear WaterW. F. Hathaway, W. M.
C. Richmond Smith, J. W.
29. Morning Star.....J. W. Welch, W. M.
C. E. Boynton, J. W.
30. AnokaJohn P. McGinty, proxy for W. M.
Wm. Buckham, S. W.
James B. Berry, J. W.
31. King HiramChas. E. Morrell, W. M.
32. SakatahA. E. Hasler, S. W.
33. Star in the East....C. W. Burdick, proxy for J. W.
34. OrientalFred W. Scofield, W. M.
Chas. P. Hall, J. W.
36. PrestonA. G. Olson, W. M.
Wm. R. Wells, J. W.
37. Mystic Tie.....A. J. McDougall, W. M.
38. WashingtonL. Sprieter, proxy for W. M.
David C. Gardner, S. W.
39. FidelityG. A. Dutcher, W. M.
40. CarnelianW. J. Lowrie, W. M.
Albert Robertson, J. W.
41. HermonC. W. Scofield, W. M.
42. HopeH. L. Simons, W. M.
43. HarmonyO. W. Hunt, W. M.
44. King SolomonNot represented.
45. UnionW. H. Tomlinson, W. M.
G. J. Diener, S. W.
46. EvergreenNathan Becksted, W. M.
47. ConcordW. C. Davis W. M.
48. SocialW. A. Hunt, W. M.
49. Rising SunJames W. Hart, W. M.
50. WatertownHenry H. Justus, S. W.
51. AcaciaIrving T. Morey, W. M.
Peter Thompson, proxy for S. W.
52. Cannon RiverL. M. Hollister, W. M.
54. NicolletJ. L. Holmberg, W. M.

- No. 55. Zion.....Not represented.
56. MeridianW. H. Ball, W.· M.·
Wm. Strafford, proxy for S.· W.·
E. W. Rossman proxy for J.· W.·
57. Blue Earth CityFrank V. Cummings, W.· M.·
J. H. Sprout, proxy for S.· W.·
58. Spring ValleyHarris E. Leach, W.· M.·
59. TemplePercy E. Avery, W.· M.·
A. L. Gove, proxy for S.· W.·
Geo. H. Sivright, proxy for J.· W.·
60. Star in the West....Charles McCracken, W.· M.·
61. AshlerWm. H. Mitchell, W.· M.·
F. S. Seymour, J.· W.·
62. StarJ. A. Sleight, W.· M.·
63. IllustriousE. E. Smith, W.· M.·
Geo. R. Hall, proxy for J.· W.·
E. A. French, J.· W.·
64. Chain LakeH. O. Noben, W.· M.·
66. MadeliaNot represented.
67. CorinthianJ. M. D. Craft, proxy for W.· M.·
69. Mystic Star.....W. F. Drake, W.· M.·
71. PaynesvilleHarry Boylan, W.· M.·
72. LansingNot represented.
75. EurekaRufus Mahoney, proxy for J.· W.·
76. JoppaW. B. Falancer, W.· M.·
F. H. Griffin, S.· W.·
77. TuscanM. M. Davidson, W.· M.·
78. Mystic CircleClarence C. Barton, W.· M.·
79. PalestineEdward K. Coe, W.· M.·
C. A. Bronson, proxy for S.· W.·
Gorham A. Taylor, J.· W.·
80. HendersonNot represented.
81. ConstellationH. S. Campbell, W.· M.·
Frank M. Stevens proxy for J.· W.·
82. HowardH. D. Garman, proxy for W.· M.·
83. Hiram AbiC. T. Goodrich, W.· M.·
C. E. Fairchild, S.· W.·
A. E. Anderson, proxy for J.· W.·
84. OrientTaylor Robinson, W.· M.·
85. High ForestH. E. Lewis, J.· W.·
86. TyrianN. L. Munger, W.· M.·
John McCabe, proxy for S.· W.·
87. DoricT. M. Mott, W.· M.·

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- No. 89. Golden Fleece.....Emil C. Gross, W. M.
J. W. Johnson, proxy for S. W.
90. Good FaithHarry M. Burnham, W. M.
Alex. T. Fiddes, S. W.
91. AntiquityO. L. Dornberg, W. M.
M. E. Powell, proxy for S. W.
92. FraternalWm. Cordiner proxy for W. M.
T. L. Armitage, proxy for J. W.
93. UnityF. N. Sartell, proxy for W. M.
94. KeystoneE. S. Rhoads, W. M.
95. SherburneF. D. Waterman, W. M.
Freeman Webb, S. W.
96. LibanusNot represented.
97. PrudenceA. F. Strunk, W. M.
T. E. Dickey, proxy for S. W.
98. CharityHerman Held, W. M.
W. B. Mather, proxy for S. W.
99. Corner StoneC. L. Hilton, proxy for W. M.
J. T. Johnson, proxy for J. W.
100. AuroraGeorge D. La Bar, W. M.
101. FraternityCharles M. Crandall, W. M.
Stelle S. Smith, S. W.
102. LebanonJ. J. Lamm, proxy for W. M.
103. BethelR. C. Roberts, W. M.
104. SharonRussell Spicer, W. M.
Anton Bakke, S. W.
106. Mt. TaborE. F. Harris, W. M.
108. ReliefGus. Crail, W. M.
109. SunsetR. A. Brown, J. W.
110. PickwickFrank R. Sinclair, W. M.
John M. Statman, J. W.
111. CarverJacob Bristle, W. M.
112. KhurumGeorge W. Meyer, W. M.
S. B. Washburn, proxy for S. W.
Harry T. Downs, J. W.
113. ExcelsiorJohn M. Thurston, W. M.
114. Ben FranklinS. C. Rea, proxy for S. W.
115. ElginNot represented.
116. LafayettePeter Madison, W. M.
M. J. McGowan, S. W.
117. GraniteNot represented.
118. NewportJ. M. Trickey, W. M.
J. W. Banter, S. W.
119. DeltaH. D. Caley, W. M.
E. C. Patterson, proxy for J. W.

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| No. 121. | Grand Meadow | Geo. A. Wright, W. M. |
| | | Geo. A. Corell, proxy for S. W. |
| | | W. A. Nolan, proxy for J. W. |
| 122. | Kellogg | C. F. Wolfe, S. W. |
| 123. | Prairie | Not represented. |
| 124. | Janesville | H. A. Comstock, proxy for W. M. |
| | | H. I. Miner, J. W. |
| 125. | Winslow Lewis | E. Owen, W. M. |
| 126. | Moorhead | Geo. Sheffield, proxy for W. M. |
| | | J. Pierce Wolfe, proxy for S. W. |
| 128. | Josephus | J. P. Emerson, proxy for W. M. |
| 129. | Swift | Orin Kinney, W. M. |
| | | W. R. Smith, proxy for S. W. |
| 131. | Alma | W. F. Cobb, W. M. |
| 132. | Humboldt | J. W. Truwe, proxy for W. M. |
| | | Henry Vögler Sr., S. W. |
| | | Chas. A. Lambert, proxy for J. W. |
| 133. | Golden Sheaf | Jesse J. Stack, W. M. |
| | | O. C. Hanson, proxy for S. W. |
| | | B. H. Betters, proxy for J. W. |
| 134. | Cokato | Arthur Nelson, W. M. |
| | | Wm. H. Reed, S. W. |
| | | Frank Griffith, J. W. |
| 135. | Nelson | Frank S. Abbott, W. M. |
| | | Adolph Friend, S. W. |
| 136. | Walnut | F. W. Damp, proxy for W. M. |
| | | T. O. Thoen, J. W. |
| 137. | Appleton | F. J. Skillman, W. M. |
| | | C. A. Brown, S. W. |
| | | J. R. Dow, proxy for J. W. |
| 138. | Orion | E. A. D. Salter, proxy for W. M. |
| | | Martin Anderson, S. W. |
| 139. | Verndale | Nels A. Lee, proxy for W. M. |
| 140. | Little Falls | Frank W. Lyon, W. M. |
| | | Harry E. Meyers, S. W. |
| | | P. A. Christenson, J. W. |
| 141. | Crookston | W. G. Lytle, proxy for W. M. |
| 142. | Currie | Lewis G. Gates, proxy for W. M. |
| 143. | Lakeview | Charles T. Lange, W. M. |
| | | A. A. Hewitt, proxy for J. W. |
| 144. | Bird Island | Levi E. Sherwood, S. W. |
| 145. | Melrose | W. W. Matson, W. M. |
| | | F. W. Quirmbach, S. W. |
| 146. | Benton | Walter W. Bliven, W. M. |

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| No. 147. | Canby | J. E. Vanstrom, W. M. |
| 148. | Quarry | Not represented. |
| 149. | Guardian | Christ Nygaard, W. M. |
| 150. | Warren | Wm. J. Brown, W. M. |
| 151. | Chaska | W. C. Odell, W. M. |
| 152. | Frontier | D. J. Jones, W. M. |
| 153. | Kodahya | H. W. Barrett, proxy for W. M. |
| 154. | Norman | B. E. Dahlquist, W. M. |
| 155. | Tracy | Arthur H. Rowland, W. M. |
| 156. | Wadena | John L. Egleston, W. M. |
| 157. | Perham | H. S. Prichett, W. M. |
| 158. | Hector | H. L. Torbenson, W. M. |
| | | H. L. D'Arms, proxy for S. W. |
| | | S. W. Anderson, proxy for J. W. |
| 159. | Long Prairie | W. M. Barber, W. M. |
| | | John E. Withers, S. W. |
| 160. | Plymouth | F. H. McCuskey, W. M. |
| | | J. O. Weld, proxy for S. W. |
| 161. | Sincerity | J. W. Carpenter, W. M. |
| | | Wm. Kerr, proxy for S. W. |
| 162. | Prescott | A. W. Wells, W. M. |
| 163. | Summit | R. B. Ware, proxy for W. M. |
| | | J. H. Beek, S. W. |
| | | W. B. Geery, J. W. |
| 164. | Jasper | C. M. Johnston, proxy for S. W. |
| 165. | Minnehaha | Benj. Sandy, W. M. |
| | | H. S. Hanson, proxy for S. W. |
| 166. | Garnet | T. L. Bourquin, S. W. |
| | | J. C. McCreight, J. W. |
| 167. | Agate | W. H. Annis, W. M. |
| 168. | Braden | Walter R. Wilson, W. M. |
| 169. | Pierson | M. D. Hawver, proxy for W. M. |
| 170. | Fulda | Geo. Browning, W. M. |
| 171. | Shekinah | Alfred W. Bailey, W. M. |
| | | A. G. Pinkham, proxy for S. W. |
| | | Ross R. Miller, J. W. |
| 172. | Marietta | E. C. Sommermeyer, W. M. |
| 173. | Plumb Line | J. G. Reeve, W. M. |
| 174. | Valley | W. A. Simonton, W. M. |
| 175. | Roman Eagle | Not represented. |
| 176. | Ark | Wm. H. Germond, W. M. |
| 177. | Rough Ashlar | Paul Buetow, W. M. |
| 178. | Anchor | G. A. Hollenbeck, W. M. |
| 179. | King David | A. C. Stolte, W. M. |

- No. 180. Osakis..... Clyde W. Long, J. W.
181. Dalles W. J. Campbell, S. W.
182. Fairhaven Theo. A. Wirsing, W. M.
P. S. Rudolph, proxy for S. W.
Wm. O. Sterling, J. W.
184. Shell F. M. Shephard, proxy for W. M.
185. Midway Charles N. Orr, W. M.
Albert J. Wallace, S. W.
Chas. P. Montgomery, proxy for J. W.
186. Ionic Carl F. Wiberg, W. M.
C. B. Miller, S. W.
R. E. Denfeld, proxy for J. W.
187. Arcana Henry A. Sauer, W. M.
C. W. Linquist, proxy for S. W.
Chas. W. Ringer, J. W.
188. Fortitude Orval G. Elben, W. M.
189. Traverse Jared Burton, proxy for W. M.
190. Triune A. L. Williams, W. M.
Malcolm McKay, proxy for S. W.
Harry L. Donnelly, J. W.
191. Mizpah F. L. Henderson, W. M.
192. Crow River Not represented.
193. Amboy J. H. Kinney, W. M.
S. T. Lamas, S. W.
I. J. Moyer, J. W.
194. Canton R. N. Vail, proxy for W. M.
Frank P. Hudson, J. W.
195. Renville N. L. Johnson, S. W.
196. Geneva James Chalmers, S. W.
197. Vermillion F. B. Cundy, W. M.
198. Euclid Eric G. Wallinder, W. M.
199. Murray C. A. Norton, S. W.
200. Zenith Wm. Runck, W. M.
201. Kenyon Christ Clausen, proxy for W. M.
202. Atelier Not represented.
203. Stewartville C. M. Cattle, W. M.
F. W. Andrews, proxy for S. W.
204. St. Elmo Andrew Rae, W. M.
Alex. G. McKnight, proxy for J. W.
205. Wayzata E. G. Braden, W. M.
H. C. Camp, J. W.
207. Crescent W. H. Pattison, W. M.
P. O. Bean, proxy for J. W.
208. Itasca D. M. Gunn, W. M.
H. D. Powers, S. W.

- No. 209. Sibley.....Not represented.
210. ColumbianLe Roy Brown, proxy for W. M.
211. FriendshipChas. D. Catlin, W. M.
Charles S. Pierce, J. W.
212. HallockJohn H. Bradish, J. W.
213. MysticFreeman E. Krech, W. M.
N. I. Cluff, proxy for S. W.
214. EvansvilleH. E. Alstead, J. W.
215. ArgyleDavid Dundas, W. M.
216. FlorenceWm. N. Cayott, W. M.
217. Capital CityLewis F. Smith, W. M.
218. GriswoldNot represented.
219. Mt. HermonA. Nystuen, W. M.
220. OliviaJ. M. Peckinpough, proxy for W. M.
221. EquityC. R. Laingen, W. M.
222. ElysianJ. W. Root, proxy for W. M.
R. N. Gordon, S. W.
Wm. Warburton, J. W.
223. MoraNot represented.
224. MinnesotaR. B. Hazard, W. M.
Leman L. Fish, J. W.
225. JusticeNot represented.
226. LincolnNot represented.
227. Park RegionJ. E. Peterson, W. M.
228. Vernon CenterG. C. Cornish, W. M.
229. StewartGeo. W. Nutter, W. M.
230. AlphaJohn W. Johnson, S. W.
231. MagnoliaFrank Collins, W. M.
C. E. Sandin, J. W.
232. ChisagoC. E. Havens, J. W.
233. BemidjiE. N. French, W. M.
234. SandstoneNot represented.
235. EdgertonFrank E. Douty, W. M.
236. NorthernB. Christianson, S. W.
237. Albert PikeA. H. Nash, proxy for S. W.
238. EqualityP. O. French, W. M.
239. EvelethJ. C. Poole, W. M.
240. AstraNot represented.
241. FrazeeEdward F. Gummer, W. M.
242. RuthtonJ. F. Carlson, W. M.
243. CassD. L. Stanton, J. W.
244. CoteauG. S. Willard, W. M.
245. WabassoA. J. Weldon, proxy for W. M.
246. FidesE. P. Dotson, proxy for W. M.

- No. 247. Morality.....E. C. Johnson, W. M.
L. M. Lerwick, proxy for S. W.
Sam Tolifson, proxy for J. W.
248. RaymondNot represented.
249. BartoGeo. W. Hannah, S. W.
250. LakefieldG. R. Van Dike, S. W.
251. McKinleyC. H. Kelson, proxy for W. M.
252. MortonF. Watschke, W. M.
G. J. Simon J. W.
253. DexterW. E. Daily, W. M.
254. Lake ParkOwen Wangenstern, W. M.
255. MesabaJames A. Robinson, W. M.
Grier H. Thompson, S. W.
256. HawleyFrank M. Higgins, proxy for W. M.
257. FellowshipJ. G. Earhuff, proxy for W. M.
E. E. Stone, proxy for S. W.
258. MontgomeryNorman W. Foster, W. M.
G. A. Colberg, S. W.
V. Wallmark, J. W.
259. BerryW. A. Willsie, W. M.
C. C. Hunter, S. W.
260. TruthA. E. Wilcox, proxy for W. M.
261. FairfaxA. M. Wallace, S. W.
262. Lake Wilson.....Robert B. Forrest, W. M.
Wm. Scott, S. W.
263. TuslerChas. H. Greene, S. W.
Ammon I. Shook, J. W.
264. VirginiaNot represented.
265. CompassGeorge E. Swift, W. M.
Vernon D. Crandall, S. W.
266. OnyxG. W. McFarland, proxy for S. W.
267. WarroadThos. L. Jones, W. M.
John A. Larson, J. W.

We also report the following Grand Representatives present:

- A. Brandenburg.....for Alabama, Michigan and Belgium
- E. P. Dotson.....for Alberta
- W. A. Nolan.....for British Columbia
- E. W. Durant.....for Canada
- O. M. Henderson.....for Connecticut
- E. E. Swan.....for Cuba
- Henry R. Denny.....for Delaware
- James D. Markham.....for District of Columbia

William P. Roberts.....	for Florida
William B. Patton.....	for Georgia
Gustaf Widell	for Idaho
Alonzo T. Stebbins.....	for Illinois and Prince Edward Island
William S. Combs.....	for Indiana
C. P. Montgomery.....	for Ireland
Calvin L. Brown.....	for Kansas
Henry R. Adams.....	for Maine and Rhode Island
Elmer A. Kling.....	for Maryland
Henry R. Wells.....	for Mississippi, North and South Dakota
Wm. A. McGonagle.....	for Missouri, Ohio and Western Australia
A. D. Countryman.....	for Montana and South Australia
A. G. Pinkham.....	for Nebraska
Thomas Morris.....	for New Brunswick and Washington
John H. Sprout.....	for New Hampshire
David W. Knowlton.....	for New Jersey
Wm. C. Odell.....	for New York
Henry M. Tusler.....	for New South Wales, Tennessee and Utah
Alex. G. McKnight.....	for New Zealand
I. B. B. Sprague.....	for North Carolina
Gideon S. Ives.....	for Oregon
Edwin H. Foot.....	for Quebec
W. Hayes Laird.....	for Scotland
Samuel E. Adams.....	for Vermont
Wm. A. Hawkins.....	for Texas
Irving Todd.....	for South Carolina
Edgar Nash.....	for Virginia
Fenton G. Warner.....	for Wisconsin

JOHN FISHEL,
J. E. PETERSON,
H. J. HERDER,

Committee.

The Grand Master called up the Grand Representatives of Foreign Jurisdictions, greeted them with the Grand Honors, and each responded for the Grand Jurisdiction which he represented.

R. W. Bro. Ralph H. Wheeler, Representative of this Grand Lodge near the Grand Lodge of Illinois, being present, was called to the Grand East, warmly greeted, and responded eloquently.

The Grand Lodge was then called from labor to refreshment, until 2:30 p. m.

FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

ST. PAUL, WEDNESDAY, Jan. 22, 1908.

The Grand Lodge was called from refreshment to labor at 2:30 p. m. Officers as before.

Grand Master Widell appointed the following committees:

ON ADDRESS OF GRAND MASTER.

E. C. Patterson (119), Harry M. Burnham (90), J. Q. Mackintosh (1).

FINANCE.

A. D. Countryman (137), Malcolm McKay (190), O. L. Dornberg (91), C. L. Brown (133), F. J. Meyst (2).

JURISPRUDENCE.

Past Grand Masters Wells, McGonagle, Stebbins, Denny and Tusler.

ANCIENT LANDMARKS.

Gideon S. Ives (54), Thomas Morris (141), Paul E. Baumgartner (18), Alonzo Brandenburg (99), Edgar Nash (112).

APPEALS AND GRIEVANCES.

W. C. Odell (151), F. W. Lyon (140), Alex G. McKnight (204), L. J. H. Land (26), Thomas L. Armitage (92).

APPROPRIATIONS.

J. D. Markham (164), Wm. F. Jewson (12), Fenton G. Warner (3).

LODGES U. D.

E. W. Durant (1), R. E. Denfeld (186), O. M. Henderson (9), Henry R. Adams (224).

PAY ROLL.

David W. Knowlton (112), S. B. Washburn (112), E. P. Dotson (246).

EXAMINATION OF VISITORS.

J. H. Sprout (57), E. N. French (233).

Grand Master Widell read the following address, which was referred to the Committee on Address of Grand Master, for division and reference:

ADDRESS

To the Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge—Greeting:

If we regard life as a voyage, we have fair tides and fair winds; head tides and contrary winds. All enter into the grandeur of the sea. If we regard life as a journey, we have the hills and the valleys. Together they give to us the beauty of the landscape. Life's voyage can be full of interest, life's journey worth while. On the voyage of life, whether on the crest of the wave with a fair wind, or in the trough of the sea with a head tide; on the journey of life, whether on the hill tops or in the valleys, let us ever remember to be true Masons, and thus true men.

Brethren, my year's work as your Grand Master is done. Mindful of my official position, reverencing God, I have tried to be a true Mason, a man.

I respectfully submit my report. My defense for this report, if defense be needed, is, I have done my best.

NEW LODGES CONSTITUTED.

On February 27th, Past Grand Master Bro. Thomas Morris, as my proxy, constituted Warroad Lodge No. 267 and installed its officers, assisted by Bro. George M. Stebbins as Deputy Grand Master, Bro. R. H. Medcraft as Senior Grand Warden, Bro. D. McGregor as Junior Grand Warden, Bro. F. Townsend as Grand Marshal, Bro. J. Johnson as Grand Chaplain, Bro. Roy L. Fox as Grand Secretary.

Brother Morris reports that the brethren of Warroad Lodge No. 267 are taking a great interest in masonic work and that the Lodge gives promise of a very successful future.

LODGES UNDER DISPENSATION.

On October 23d, a petition was received, requesting a dispensation for a new Lodge at Eagle Bend, Todd County, signed by nine Master Masons in good standing. Immediately I proceeded to make a thorough investigation, and after satisfying myself that a Lodge at this place would be desirable and that it would not cripple any Lodges in the

vicinity thereof, I issued a dispensation for the new Lodge on Nov. 7, 1907, the Lodge to be designated as Eagle Bend Lodge U. D., and appointed the following officers:

Worshipful Master, Bro. I. B. Kenny; Senior Warden, Bro. J. E. Roman; Junior Warden, Bro. W. A. Sleeper.

SPECIAL DISPENSATIONS.

During the year, I have had sixty-three requests for dispensations to confer degrees on more than five candidates at the same communication, and in consequence I granted dispensations to the following Lodges, in all cases asking them to confer the degrees in full:

Saint Paul Lodge No. 3, Minneapolis Lodge No. 19, Minnesota Lodge No. 224, Summit Lodge No. 163, Ark Lodge No. 176, Cataract Lodge No. 2, Northern Lodge No. 236, Braden Lodge No. 168, Minnehaha Lodge No. 165, Khurum Lodge No. 112, Ancient Landmark Lodge No. 5, Hennepin Lodge No. 4, Montgomery Lodge No. 258, Plymouth Lodge No. 160.

OTHER DISPENSATIONS GRANTED.

January 30th, to Dexter Lodge No. 253, to meet in some suitable hall, in the same town, to transact business and confer degrees until the next Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge, for the reason that their hall with all its contents including the charter was burned on January 28th.

February 8th, to Roseau Lodge U. D., to allow the Lodge of Modern Woodmen of that place to use the masonic hall temporarily on account of the latter's hall being destroyed by fire, instructing them to conform with the section of the Code covering "The Joint Occupancy of Halls."

February 12th, to Arcana Lodge No. 187, to move into their new hall on March 1st.

March 30th, to Norman Lodge No. 154, to elect a Secretary, their Secretary having refused to serve.

April 3d, to Roman Eagle Lodge No. 175, to call a Special Communication for the purpose of reinstating a brother, as the brother was in danger of dying before the Regular Communication, and wished to be in good standing before leaving this earth.

April 10th, to Barto Lodge No. 249, to move to a new location, second floor of a building in block 17, lot 8, Echo, Minn.

May 26th, to McKinley Lodge No. 251, to elect a Secretary to fill the vacancy caused by their Secretary moving out of the jurisdiction.

August 2d, to Cataract Lodge No. 2, to hold their meeting in the same building, on the floor below, for the reason that they were having their hall renovated and the work would not be completed in time, so that they could hold their regular meeting in their hall.

November 2d, to Elysian Lodge No. 22, permitting other Lodges to meet in their hall at such times, as it does not interfere with the work of the Lodge. I instructed them to conform with the section of the Code covering the "Joint Occupancy of Halls."

November 29th, to Melrose Lodge No. 145, to hold their annual election of officers on December 10th instead of on December 24th, the date called for by the By-laws as it would be very difficult to obtain a quorum on that evening.

December 7th, to Union Lodge No. 45, to allow them to sublet their hall to a musical society, instructing them to conform with the section of the Code covering "The Joint Occupancy of Halls."

December 14th, to Little Falls Lodge No. 140, to move into their new hall.

January 2d, to Columbia Lodge No. 210, to elect a Secretary, on January 8th, their Secretary refusing to serve.

January 2d, to Raymond Lodge No. 248, to move into their new hall.

On February 18th, I authorized the Grand Treasurer to invest \$7,287.00 in St. Paul Park bonds, dated Feb. 1, 1907, due Jan. 31, 1937, which will yield 3.80 per cent interest. This was done after a conference between the Grand Treasurer, Grand Secretary and myself.

On November 8th, I authorized the Grand Secretary to accept the insurance policy of the Northern Insurance Company of New York for \$1,500 at a premium of \$31.05, thereby overdrawing the insurance appropriation by \$2.80, as I did not deem it advisable to lower the amount of insurance.

DISPENSATIONS REFUSED.

Dispensations for Lodges to attend in a body, as a Lodge, any public or divine services or to appear in public in their regalia, except at funerals.

Dispensations to call off meetings in the months of July and August.

Dispensations to receive the petition of candidates before they had lived one year within the jurisdiction of the Lodge.

Dispensation to receive a petition, read the application and ballot on same at the same communication.

Dispensation to allow maimed or otherwise disqualified men to become members of the Craft. It would be desirable if the officers of subordinate Lodges would consult the masonic law on these questions as it is very plain and admits of but one interpretation.

On April 19th, I received a petition from twelve Master Masons in good standing, requesting a dispensation for a new Lodge at Racine. After careful investigation, I decided that it would not be advisable

to grant the dispensation, as the jurisdiction would be very limited, and furthermore, the Lodges in that vicinity were too small, and it would not be to the best interest of the Craft to start a new Lodge at that place, and consequently I refused to grant the dispensation.

On December 18th, I received a petition from eight Master Masons in good standing, requesting a dispensation for a new Lodge at Ballaton. After careful investigation I decided that it would not be advisable to grant same, as the jurisdiction would be very limited, and the Lodges in that vicinity were too small, and it would not be for the good of the Craft, consequently I refused to grant the dispensation.

BY-LAWS APPROVED.

February 13th—A new set of By-laws for Little Falls Lodge No. 140.
February 18th—A new set of By-laws for Unity Lodge No. 93.
March 4th—A new set of By-laws for Warroad Lodge No. 267.
March 23d—Amendment to By-laws for Ark Lodge No. 176.
March 25th—A new set of By-laws for Verndale Lodge No. 139.
April 10th—Amendment to By-laws for Palestine Lodge No. 79.
May 9th—A new set of By-laws for Lake Wilson Lodge No. 262.
May 9th—Amendment to By-laws for Rising Sun Lodge No. 49.
August 28th—A new set of By-laws for Golden Sheaf Lodge No. 133.
September 25th—Amendment to By-laws for Friendship Lodge No. 211.
October 22d—Amendment to By-laws for Euclid Lodge No. 198.
November 1st—Amendment to By-laws for North Star Lodge No. 23.
November 20th—Amendment to By-laws for Mankato Lodge No. 12.
December 2d—Amendment to By-laws for Wilton Lodge No. 24.
December 9th—Amendment to By-laws for Rising Sun Lodge No. 49.
December 9th—Amendment to By-laws for Berry Lodge No. 259.
December 16th—Amendment to By-laws for Osakis Lodge No. 180.

In several instances, where the proposed By-laws and amendments have not been in accordance with the landmarks of our institution and where it was proposed to exempt members from the payment of dues, I have refused to approve the same on the ground that such action is contrary to the spirit of Masonry, as well as masonic law. In refusing to approve the By-laws exempting members from dues I have specifically stated that such refusal did not conflict with the remission of dues for just cause.

DECISIONS.

1. Question: "A" petitions "X" Lodge for degrees and is rejected. Six months later he petitions "Y" Lodge (having concurrent jurisdiction), "Y" Lodge sends notice to "X" Lodge in accordance with the law. "A" is again rejected. In case "A" six months later again petitions "Y" Lodge, will it be necessary to again notify "X" Lodge?

Answer: Yes; notice must be sent in all cases to Lodges in concurrent jurisdictions.

2. Question: A petition was presented to the Lodge duly made out. It was referred to a committee and the chairman given possession of same. The chairman lost the petition. In the meantime the petitioner requested a withdrawal which was refused. Will it be necessary for the Lodge to submit a new blank petition to the petitioner for his signature, merely for the purpose of placing same on record, or would a certified copy be sufficient? If presented to him and he refuses to sign, what procedure would be pursued?

Answer: It would not be necessary to submit a new petition. The Secretary should file a certified copy in his archives. The petition cannot be withdrawn unless favorably reported on by the committee on investigation, and then only by unanimous vote of the Lodge.

3. Question: Does the jurisdiction of a Lodge extend halfway in a straight line from the door of a Lodge to the door of any Lodge in any direction, even if this jurisdiction extends into a city?

Answer: The jurisdiction of a Lodge extends in every direction, halfway between it and the nearest Lodge. In case of concurrent jurisdiction in cities the distance should be measured to the nearest city Lodge.

4. Question: A brother was regularly elected a life member of a Lodge by paying the required amount in accordance with their By-laws for a life membership certificate, he then dimit, and is later again regularly readmitted into the Lodge. Has the Lodge authority to place him in the same position in the Lodge as before and grant him a life membership certificate?

Answer: No. He now occupies the same relation toward the Lodge as any other affiliate, takes a new number on the Lodge roll and his membership dates not from his original application, but from the time he was last elected on his dimit.

5. Question: In our By-laws provision is made whereby a member on payment of a stated amount, or upon payment of dues for a certain number of consecutive years becomes a life member and is exempt from the payment of further dues. Is this still in force?

Answer: No. The resolution passed by the Grand Lodge at the Fifty-fourth Annual Communication regarding life membership certificates declared this invalid, and no life membership certificates can be issued unless a member shall have paid dues in the same Lodge for twenty-five consecutive years.

6. Question: (a.) Is it ever allowable in a Lodge for a brother, either before the ballot or after the rejection of a candidate, to discuss the character of such candidate and particularly after the rejection to express regret at the action of the Lodge?

Answer: No.

(b.) Is the Worshipful Master warranted in calling a brother to order who undertakes to make such a speech?

Answer: Yes.

(c.) Suppose the brother refuses to desist, but continues in a defiant manner to speak until he has had his "say," although called down by the gavel, what is the proper recourse?

Answer: To reprimand him, and if conduct is persisted in, to prefer charges.

As usual, during the year, a large number of questions have been referred to me for ruling by the officers and members of subordinate Lodges, which I have answered by referring them to the Code. If the brethren would consult the Code more freely it would relieve the Grand Master of a great deal of unnecessary correspondence.

CORNER STONES LAID.

On July 9th, I laid the corner stone of the court house of Jackson County, at Jackson, Minn., assisted by the following brethren: R. Bro. Wm. P. Roberts, Deputy Grand Master; R. W. Bro. Eugene E. Swan, Senior Grand Warden; W. Bro. Elmer A. Kling, as Junior Grand Warden; P. G. M. Bro. Henry M. Tusler, as Grand Treasurer; R. W. Bro. John Fishel, Grand Secretary; W. Bro. Moses E. Clapp, as Grand Orator; W. Bro. W. S. Emery, as Grand Chaplain; W. Bro. Jacob L. Berthold, as Senior Grand Deacon; W. Bro. C. Keysor, as Junior Grand Deacon; W. Bro. J. W. Cowing, as Grand Marshal; W. Bro. Robert A. Gruhlker, as Grand Standard Bearer; W. Bro. John Burnham, as Senior Grand Steward; W. Bro. Wm. Bird, Jr., as Junior Grand Steward; W. Bro. F. E. Cady, Grand Pursuivant; W. Bro. C. F. Mallahan, carrying the book of Constitutions; W. Bro. B. W. Payne, as Grand Tyler.

The Grand Lodge was escorted by Fairmont Commandery No. 27, Knights Templar, and Good Faith Lodge No. 90, A. F. & A. M., and visiting brethren from neighboring Lodges to the site of the new court house of Jackson County where the corner stone of that edifice was laid with appropriate ceremony. There was a large gathering of citizens to witness the proceedings.

W. Bro. Moses E. Clapp, United States Senator from Minnesota, delivered an eloquent and scholarly address.

In the evening Good Faith Lodge conferred the third degree and the work was most excellently performed.

In this connection I wish to acknowledge the excellent and enthusiastic entertainment given us by Good Faith Lodge No. 90 A. F. & A. M., closing with a splendid banquet in the evening. The beautiful silver trowel used in laying the corner stone was presented

to me as a remembrance of the occasion, and I also desire to express my sincere thanks to the Lodge, as it will be a memento that I will treasure very highly as long as I live.

VISITATIONS.

It causes me a great deal of regret that I have been unable to visit as many Lodges as I had intended to, but I have used all the time that I could possibly devote to this work and have during my term of office visited thirty-nine Lodges:

Faribault Lodge No. 9, Bethel Lodge No. 103, Nicollet Lodge No. 54, Zenith Lodge No. 200, Doric Lodge No. 87, Fides Lodge No. 246, Hermon Lodge No. 41, Good Faith Lodge No. 90, McKinley Lodge No. 255, Rochester Lodge No. 21, Minneapolis Lodge No. 19, Delta Lodge No. 119, Keystone Lodge No. 94, Benton Lodge No. 146, North Star Lodge No. 23, Khurum Lodge No. 112, Blue Earth Valley Lodge No. 27, Joppa Lodge No. 76, Minnesota Lodge No. 224, Saint Paul Lodge No. 3, Anchor Lodge No. 195, Tracy Lodge No. 155, Canby Lodge No. 147, Janesville Lodge No. 124, Tuscan Lodge No. 77, Antiquity Lodge No. 91, Mankato Lodge No. 12, Triune Lodge No. 190, Star in the East Lodge No. 33, Braden Lodge No. 168, Walnut Lodge No. 136, Cataract Lodge No. 2, Winona Lodge No. 18, Little Falls Lodge No. 140, Palestine Lodge No. 79, Euclid Lodge No. 198, Summit Lodge No. 163, Fraternal Lodge No. 92, Sherburne Lodge No. 95 and Ionic Lodge No. 186.

These visitations have been very interesting, and I have at all times been received and welcomed with appropriate honors. It has been a source of inspiration to me, and I trust that some benefit has resulted to the Lodges. The brethren have at all times shown by words and deeds that they appreciate a visit from their Grand Master.

This report would become too lengthy to describe my visits to all the Lodges. The visits to the Lodges at Faribault, St. Cloud and Rochester were occasions for celebrating the fiftieth anniversary of the founding of the Lodges. At these occasions a large number of visiting brethren were in attendance and the celebration closed with a banquet, where appropriate addresses were made and toasts responded to by prominent members of the Craft. I wish to thank the members of all the Lodges that I have visited for the kind consideration and numberless courtesies extended.

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENCE.

1. On June 3d, I received an invitation from the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the District of Columbia, Francis J. Woodman, to be present at the laying of the corner stone of the new masonic hall

at Washington, D. C., on June 8th. Not being able to accept the kind invitation, I wrote him and expressed my regrets at not being able to attend and extended to him the fraternal greetings of our Grand Jurisdiction.

2. On August 31st, I received an invitation from the Most Worshipful Grand Master of Nebraska, Bro. Ornan J. King, to attend the celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of their Grand Lodge, to be held at Omaha on September 23d, but as it was impossible for me to go, I wrote and expressed my regrets and extended to them the hearty congratulations and best wishes of our Grand Jurisdiction.

3. Under date of September 12th, the Most Worshipful Grand Master of California wrote me, returning to our Grand Jurisdiction the sum of \$448.20, the unused balance of the contribution from Minnesota Lodges for the relief of the earthquake sufferers, and this balance has been returned pro rata to those contributing.

In returning these funds, the Most Worshipful Grand Master of California expresses the gratitude of the Fraternity for our spontaneous generosity. He states that so far as known, no worthy case has been overlooked and that the committee does not feel justified in applying this money to any other purpose than that for which it was intended, namely, the relief of the suffering growing out of the great disaster.

SCHOOLS OF INSTRUCTION.

There were two Schools of Instruction held, the first at Virginia, June 25th and 26th, on the recommendation of the D.·.D.·.G.·.M.·. Bro. L. A. Barnes of the Third district, which was well attended by the members of Virginia, Eveleth and Hibbing Lodges. It was a very successful school and much interest was shown. Bro. W. B. Patton, Custodian, was in charge.

The second School of Instruction was held at Duluth on December 16th and 17th, for the Third district with representatives present from five of the Lodges in the district. A great interest in the work was shown. This school also was in charge of Custodian Brother Patton.

COMMISSIONS ISSUED AND RECEIVED.

- April 15th—Kansas, Arthur M. Jackson, Leavenworth.
- April 27th—Utah, Joseph M. Marriott, Salt Lake City.
- June 14th—Illinois, Ralph H. Wheeler, Chicago.
- Sept. 14th—Alberta, Archibald E. Jamieson, Edmonton.
- Oct. 4th—Nova Scotia, Louis H. Morse, Digby.
- Oct. 5th—Victoria, E. Philpott, Geelong.
- Dec. 19th—South Dakota, Frank A. Brown, Aberdeen.

The following brethren have received commissions from other Grand Lodges as their representatives near this Grand Lodge:

O. M. Henderson, Faribault, from Connecticut.
 F. L. Searing, Mankato, from Colorado.
 Chas. P. Montgomery, St. Paul, from Ireland.
 Alex. G. McKnight, Jasper, from New Zealand.
 W. Hayes Laird, Winona, from Scotland.
 Samuel E. Adams, Minneapolis, from Vermont.
 Fenton G. Warner, St. Paul, from Wisconsin.
 E. P. Dotson, Sanborn, from Alberta.

Bro. John Fishel was recommended as the representative for England, but as yet the commission has not been received.

DEDICATION OF HALLS.

On January 7th, assisted by the following brethren, I dedicated the new hall of Little Falls Lodge No. 140 with appropriate ceremony:

R. W. Bro. Wm. P. Roberts, Deputy Grand Master; R. W. Bro. George D. La Bar, as Senior Grand Warden; R. W. Bro. Elmer A. Kling, as Junior Grand Warden; R. W. Bro. George O. Whitney, as Grand Treasurer; R. W. Bro. John Fishel, Grand Secretary; W. Bro. O. C. Trace, as Grand Orator; W. Bro. M. M. Maxwell, as Grand Chaplain; W. Bro. E. H. Foot, as Senior Grand Deacon; W. Bro. E. S. Foot, as Junior Grand Deacon; W. Bro. Owen Morris, Grand Marshal; W. Bro. D. H. Parsons, as Grand Standard Bearer; W. Bro. G. M. Ricketts, as Grand Sword Bearer; W. Bro. N. H. Ingersoll, as Senior Grand Steward; W. Bro. A. R. Campbell, as Grand Pursuivant; W. Bro. H. A. Rider, as Grand Tyler.

In the evening a banquet was given by Little Falls Lodge No. 140 with many visiting brethren present from surrounding Lodges. Appropriate addresses were made and everyone had an enjoyable time.

FIRES.

On Jan. 28, 1907, Dexter Lodge No. 253, at Dexter, suffered loss by fire, their hall, charter and records being destroyed. On Jan. 15, 1908, Hawley Lodge No. 256, at Hawley, suffered loss by fire, their hall, charter and records being destroyed. I respectfully recommend that duplicate charters be granted Dexter Lodge No. 253 and Hawley Lodge No. 256 without charge.

INSTALLATIONS.

At a Communication of Appleton Lodge on July 4th, M. W. Bro. A. D. Countryman, Past Grand Master, installed Bro. George E. Satterlee as Grand Chaplain.

At a Communication of Ancient Landmark Lodge No. 5, Bro. E. A. Paradis, Past Master of Triune Lodge No. 190, installed Bro. Owen Morris as Grand Marshal.

At a Regular Communication of St. Johns Lodge No. 1, on December 16th, Worshipful Master W. G. Brunson, Jr., installed Past Master W. C. Masterman as Grand Standard Bearer.

At a Regular Communication of Minneapolis Lodge No. 19, on April 23d, R. W. Bro. Wm. P. Roberts, Deputy Grand Master, installed Brother Schlener as Senior Grand Steward.

AUDITING COMMITTEE.

Owing to the death of R. W. Bro. Thomas Montgomery, Grand Secretary, it was necessary for me to appoint an auditing committee and on June 11th, I appointed Bros. H. M. Tusler, James Ridler and George F. Dix as such committee to audit the accounts and take an inventory of the effects belonging to that office. In carrying out this work the committee has spent a great deal of time and labor, and I desire to express my appreciation of the efficient manner in which they have discharged their duties. Their report follows. I heartily concur in their recommendations and recommend that they be paid the sum of \$100 as a compensation for their work.

ST. PAUL, MINN., Dec. 10, 1907.

Gustaf Widell, Grand Master, Mankato, Minn.

DEAR SIR AND M. W. BRO: Your committee, appointed to audit the accounts and inventory the effects of the office of the late Grand Secretary, Thos. Montgomery, respectfully report that we have carefully checked up the books, papers, vouchers, correspondence, etc., of the office and find there was in the hands of the Grand Secretary, at the time of his death, funds belonging to the Grand Lodge, as follows:

From Warroad Lodge No. 267, charter fee.....	\$25.00
From joint agent Western Passenger Association, amount of deposit refunded.....	11.00
From Dexter Lodge No. 253, for paraphernalia....	\$20.00
From Palestine Lodge No. 79, for proceedings....	.25
From Lincoln Lodge No. 226, for proceedings.....	1.25
	21.50
From Little Falls Lodge No. 140, for postage.....	\$0.13
Amount drawn for expenses, Order No. 3..\$300.00	
Less amount of expenses paid.....162.17	
	137.83
	137.96

Amount drawn for office rent, Order No. 4.....	\$150.00	
Less amount of rent paid.....	75.00	
		\$75.00
Amount drawn to be used in purchasing a type- writer, Order No. 27.....		50.00

Arrears of dues collected from the following Lodges:

Keystone No. 94.....	\$1.00	Agate No. 167.....	\$1.20
Little Falls No. 140.....	.40	Equality No. 238.....	1.20
Minnehaha No. 165.....	3.00		
			\$6.80

Dues overpaid by the following Lodges:

Dakota No. 7.....	\$0.40	Garnet No. 166.....	\$1.20
Mantorville No. 11.....	1.60	Roman Eagle No. 175.....	1.00
Wapahasa No. 14.....	.40	Rough Ashler No. 177....	1.60
Clearwater No. 28.....	1.20	Osakis No. 180.....	.40
Anoka No. 30.....	2.00	Renville No. 195.....	.40
Washington No. 38.....	1.60	Geneva No. 196.....	1.60
Cannon River No. 52.....	.40	Vermillion No. 197.....	4.00
Star No. 62.....	.80	St. Elmo No. 204.....	1.60
Mystic Circle No. 78.....	1.00	Wayzata No. 205.....	3.00
Orient No. 84.....	.40	Evansville No. 214.....	.40
Golden Fleece No. 89.....	1.20	Florence No. 216.....	1.60
Good Faith No. 90.....	2.80	Astra No. 240.....	.40
Fraternal No. 92.....	1.20	Ruthron No. 242.....	1.20
Excelsior No. 113.....	.40	Raymond No. 248.....	.40
Kellogg No. 122.....	.80	Barto No. 249.....	.80
Prairie No. 123.....	6.00	Morton No. 252.....	.40
Moorhead No. 126.....	1.00	Mesaba No. 255.....	.80
Josephus No. 128.....	.40	Lake Wilson No. 262.....	.90
Golden Sheaf No. 133.....	.40	Onyx No. 266.....	2.40
Sincerity No. 161.....	1.60		
			\$49.70
Error in footing second column, page 117, of cash-book.....			.40

Total amount in the hands of the Grand Secretary.....\$377.36

All of which has been paid to your committee by the executrix of the estate of the late Grand Secretary, and by us paid to John Fishel, the present Grand Secretary, as per receipt attached.

We find there was due Thos. Montgomery, Grand Secretary, as appropriated at the last Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge:

Salary from Jan. 1, 1907, to June 10, 1907.....	\$555.55
Less amount drawn March 4, 1907, Order No. 29..	\$208.33
Less amount drawn May 31, 1907, Order No. 37....	312.50
	<u>520.83</u>
Balance salary due.....	34.72
Amount paid on rent of telephone.....	6.00

Total amount due the Grand Secretary... \$40.72

Order No. 62 for this amount has been drawn by John Fishel, Grand Secretary, in favor of your committee, and by us paid to the executrix of the estate of the late Grand Secretary, and her receipt placed on file.

In addition to the funds in the hands of Grand Secretary Thos. Montgomery, we have received, and paid over to John Fishel, Grand Secretary, arrears of dues from the following Lodges:

Eureka No. 75.....	\$0.40
Frontier No. 152.....	.40
Agate No. 167.....	.80
	<u>\$1.60</u>

Since the last Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge orders were drawn by Grand Secretary Montgomery on the Grand Treasurer, all of which have been paid, as follows:

Jan. 25. No. 1—Thomas Morris, Grand Master's expenses	\$300.00
Jan. 25. No. 2—T. Montgomery, G.' Sec., two assistants.	30.00
Jan. 25. No. 3—Thos. Montgomery, G.' Sec., contingent expenses	300.00
Jan. 25. No. 4—Thos. Montgomery, G.' Sec., office rent..	150.00
Jan. 25. No. 5—Chas. J. Kruger, services as Grand Tyler..	50.00
Jan. 25. No. 6—John H. Ludwig, tiling Grand Lodge....	10.00
Jan. 25. No. 7—Irving Todd, report on Correspondence..	100.00
Jan. 25. No. 8—J. J. Buckhout, care Grand Lodge rooms..	50.00
Jan. 25. No. 9—Thos. Montgomery, binding books, etc....	100.00
Jan. 25. No. 10—Thos. Montgomery, G.' Sec., pay of Custodians	116.42
Jan. 25. No. 11—J. F. D. Meighen, W.' M.' No. 26, relief widow of Bro. Sidney Partridge.....	100.00
Jan. 25. No. 12—F. W. Baird, W.' M.' No. 32, relief Bro. Joseph Batlik.....	100.00
Jan. 25. No. 13—E. H. Cummings, W.' M.' No. 36, relief Bro. J. Benedict and wife.....	100.00
Jan. 25. No. 14—M. O. Anderson, W.' M.' No. 39, relief Bro. Adrian Drost.....	100.00

Jan. 25.	No. 15—Wm. Jacobs, W. M. No. 62, relief Bro. Henry Frazee and wife.....	\$100.00
Jan. 25.	No. 16—A. C. Cornwell, W. M. No. 63, relief Bro August Smith.....	100.00
Jan. 25.	No. 17—O. L. Dornberg, W. M. No. 91, relief widow of Bro. David Watson.....	100.00
Jan. 25.	No. 18—Wm. Sartell, W. M. No. 93, relief Bro. A. C. Johnson.....	50.00
Jan. 25.	No. 19—F. D. Waterman, W. M. No. 95, relief Mrs. P. O. Hawes.....	100.00
Jan. 25.	No. 20—Gus. Crail, W. M. No. 108, relief Bro. J. E. Getman and wife.....	150.00
Jan. 25.	No. 21—Peter Larson, W. M. No. 138, relief Bro. L. B. Woolson.....	100.00
Jan. 25.	No. 22—W. E. Schmidt, W. M. No. 193, relief Bro. N. W. Sargent.....	50.00
Jan. 25.	No. 23—E. C. McGrew, W. M. No. 218, relief widow of Bro. Peter Larson.....	100.00
Jan. 25.	No. 24—David W. Knowlton, Grand Treasurer, relief Alice P. Goodrich.....\$240.00 relief Bro. Albert Marden.....	100.00
		340.00
Jan. 25.	No. 25—David W. Knowlton, Grand Treasurer, transferred to Widows' and Orphans' fund	5,000.00
Jan. 25.	No. 26—Wm. P. Roberts, Secretary Minnesota Masonic Home, four memberships.....	1,000.00
Feb. 21.	No. 27—Thos. Montgomery, for purchase of type-writer	50.00
Mar. 1.	No. 28—David W. Knowlton, Grand Treasurer, pay-roll 1907.....	2,756.35
Mar. 4.	No. 29—Thos. Montgomery, Grand Secretary, salary January and February.....	208.33
Mar. 6.	No. 30—Fred. L. Gray Co., premium on bond of Grand Treasurer.....	25.00
Mar. 23.	No. 31—Thos. Montgomery, 1,350 pictures of Grand Master Thos. Morris. \$42.50; photograph of Pierson monument, \$3.50; half-tone cut of Pierson monument, \$3.00	49.00
Mar. 23.	No. 32—Thos. Montgomery, Grand Lodge Index and preparing same.....	100.00
Apr. 20.	No. 33—Pioneer Press Co., printing bills.....	422.16
Apr. 25.	No. 34—L. N. Bryant, insurance premium.....	20.70

Apr. 26.	No. 35—Giles W. Merrill, Secretary, appropriation to Masonic Veterans Ass'n for printing	\$100.00
May 22.	No. 36—L. N. Bryant, insurance premium.....	31.05
May 31.	No. 37—Thos. Montgomery, Grand Secretary, salary March, April and May.....	312.50

These orders were all drawn in payment for amounts appropriated at the last Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge.

The appropriation for the relief of Bro. J. E. Getman and wife does not appear in the published proceedings, but it is in the original draft of the report of the committee on appropriations, as adopted by the Grand Lodge, and the omission of this item in the proceedings is probably due to a clerical error.

We made a careful inventory of the effects of the office, entering the same in bound books, which we have filed in the office of the Grand Secretary. This inventory, in addition to a large number of bound and unbound proceedings, documents, papers, pamphlets, publications, etc., of this, and other Grand Jurisdictions, includes: One double-door office safe, one Grand Lodge Register, bound, one Grand Lodge Register, loose-leaf binding, one Grand Lodge Index, in two bound books, one Register of Charters, one Grand Lodge Seal, one set of Grand Officers' Aprons, Collars and Jewels, one clock, and the necessary equipment of desks, tables, book-cases, shelving, chairs, etc.

There is, also some second-hand paraphernalia, turned in by defunct Lodges.

There is on file a guaranty bond of the Metropolitan Surety Co., New York City, as surety for David W. Knowlton, Grand Treasurer, in the sum of \$10,000, and fire insurance policies, covering the property of the Grand Lodge, to the amount of \$4,000.

The books, Lodge Returns, valuable papers and documents are filed in the vault and safes of the office.

At the last Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge the Grand Secretary, in his report, referred to some 160 boxes of proceedings, besides scores of bundles of reprints, etc., as having been stored in another building for want of room in the office. These are in a barn at the late residence of Brother Montgomery, and we recommend that they be removed and stored in a fire-proof building, together with other surplus matter now in the office of the Grand Secretary.

The charter of Fosston Lodge No. 206, referred to by the late Grand Secretary in his report, was sent in and is now on file in the office. The jewels, aprons and paraphernalia have not been returned, nor has the sale of the other property of this defunct Lodge, estimated worth \$50, been reported. The correspondence in regard to this is on file in the Grand Secretary's office and the matter of disposing of it

can be taken up with Joel Fogelberg, who was Master of the Lodge when the charter was surrendered, and, as the correspondence shows, has the property in charge.

In checking up the office your committee were impressed with the fact that the Grand Lodge of Minnesota has grown from small beginnings to a large and constantly increasing body. We, therefore, at this time desire to offer some suggestions and recommendations.

A resolution adopted by the Grand Lodge, and now in force, requires the Grand Secretary to execute a bond in the penal sum of \$5,000. This requirement should, in the future, be complied with.

All funds received by the Grand Secretary should, at once, be entered in the cash-book under the date of its receipt, and immediately remitted to the Grand Treasurer.

A voucher should be filed in the Secretary's office for each and every order drawn. We suggested this to the newly appointed Grand Secretary, who prepared a form for that purpose, and put into practice the suggestions of your committee, and we recommend that it be continued.

The ledger accounts with the subordinate Lodges should show, in detail, the items of dues, fees, supplies, and all other items properly chargeable to their accounts, and all cash received from them should be entered to their credit. In case of an overpayment the amount so overpaid should be refunded by an order drawn on the Grand Treasurer.

We recommend that on the first of each month the Secretary draw his salary for the preceding month, and file a voucher covering the dates for which the salary was drawn.

We would suggest that the amounts appropriated for rent and contingent expenses be not drawn in one sum at the beginning of the year, and, therefore, recommend that orders be drawn monthly in payment of the rent, and that on the first of each month the Secretary draw an order for the expenses incurred during the preceding month, and file a voucher, showing in detail the items of such expense.

We recommend that all written communications received, and copies of all letters written, and circulars issued, be placed on file in the office.

A resolution adopted in 1885, and still in force, makes it the duty of each Lodge to forward to the Grand Secretary, on or before the second day of January, the returns and dues of said Lodge for the year preceding, and if any Lodge fails to do so, its representative shall not receive per diem or mileage for attending the following Annual Communication. The resolution is mandatory, and we recommend that, so long as it remains in force, the committee on returns be instructed to incorporate in their report the Lodges that have not

forwarded their returns on or before the specified date, so that the pay-roll may be made in accordance with the resolution. If this law were enforced, as it should be, the Lodges would be more prompt in sending in their returns, thereby giving the Grand Secretary time to tabulate them, and make up his report without worry and annoyance.

In the library there are a large number of bound volumes, and we recommend that a label be prepared and placed in each book, belonging to the Grand Lodge, designating it as the property of that Grand Body.

Realizing the fact that the Committee on Finance does not have the necessary time during the Annual Communication to properly check up the offices of the Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary, we think it would be wise if some plan could be adopted whereby these offices could be audited during the interim of the Annual Communications.

We find it necessary for the Secretary to mail promptly a great many circulars and letters to all the Lodges in the jurisdiction. Addressing these by hand takes time, and we are of the opinion that an addressograph would be a valuable addition to the equipment of the office; we, therefore, call your attention to this matter, and recommend that you lay it before the Grand Lodge for consideration.

In discharging their duties your committee have faithfully endeavored to execute the trust confided to them and hope their efforts may meet with your approval.

All of which is respectfully and fraternally submitted,

HENRY M. TUSLER,

JAMES RIDLER,

GEO. F. DIX,

Committee.

EXTENSION OF LEASE, GRAND SECRETARY'S OFFICE.

The question of extending the lease for the office occupied by the Grand Secretary came up for consideration immediately after the death of Brother Montgomery, and at the suggestion of Bro. Fishel, the presiding officers of each body, namely, Grand Commander Laird, Most Illustrious Grand Master Allen, Grand High Priest Todd and myself, held a conference in St. Paul on June 25th, and in accordance with the unanimous report of these presiding officers, I executed a lease of our present quarters in the name of the Grand Lodge for a period of two years from July 1, 1907, to July 1, 1909, at a rental of \$50.00 per month. No written lease covering past years could be found. The rental demanded by the proprietors was \$55.00 per month and we succeeded in getting it reduced to \$50.00. Under this arrangement the portion to be paid by the Grand Lodge is \$360.00 per annum.

APPOINTMENTS.

On June 10, 1907, I appointed Bro. John Fishel Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge to fill the unexpired term of Right Worshipful Bro. Thomas Montgomery and issued a circular letter giving notice of said appointment to the subordinate Lodges. Brother Fishel has performed all the duties of the office to my entire satisfaction, and it affords me great pleasure to commend him to you as one fully qualified to fill this important trust.

OCCASIONAL GRAND LODGE COMMUNICATIONS.

On February 7th, on the occasion of their fiftieth anniversary, by request of Faribault Lodge No. 9, and as a courtesy to Past Grand Master Bro. Thomas W. Brown of South Dakota, an occasional Grand Lodge communication was opened at Faribault, Minn., for the purpose of receiving the silver trowel on its way around the world, sent out by Justice Lodge No. 753, A. F. & A. M. of New York. It was brought to Faribault from Sioux Falls, S. D., by Bro. Thomas W. Brown, acting as Worshipful Master of Minnehaha Lodge No. 5, of Sioux Falls, S. D.

The following Grand Lodge officers were present:

- M. W. Bro. Gustaf Widell, Grand Master.
- R. W. Bro. Wm. P. Roberts, Deputy Grand Master.
- W. Bro. Harry E. Whitney, as Senior Grand Warden.
- W. Bro. A. O. Eberhart, as Junior Grand Warden.
- R. W. Bro. Thomas Montgomery, Grand Secretary.
- W. Bro. James R. Smith, as Senior Grand Deacon.
- W. Bro. Wm. Birch, as Junior Grand Deacon.
- W. Bro. F. G. Jenkins, as Grand Marshal.
- W. Bro. L. F. Dodge, as Grand Tyler.

On Monday June 10, 1907, an occasional Communication of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M. of Minnesota was held for the purpose of conducting the funeral services of the late R. W. Brother Thomas Montgomery, Grand Secretary. The occasional Grand Lodge was opened in the office of the Grand Secretary at 1 o'clock p. m. with the following officers present:

- M. W. Bro. Gustaf Widell, Grand Master.
- R. W. Bro. Wm. P. Roberts, Deputy Grand Master.
- R. W. Bro. Eugene E. Swan, Senior Grand Warden.
- W. Bro. Irving Todd, as Junior Grand Warden.
- R. W. Bro. David W. Knowlton, Grand Treasurer.
- W. Bro. Robert B. Ware, as Grand Secretary.
- Rev. Bro. W. N. Jamieson, as Grand Chaplain.
- W. Bro. Elmer A. Kling, as Senior Grand Deacon.

W. Bro. Edwin H. Foot, Junior Grand Deacon.
W. Bro. Owen Morris, Grand Marshal.
W. Bro. W. C. Masterman, as Senior Grand Steward.
W. Bro. John A. Schlener, Junior Grand Steward.
W. Bro. John H. Ludwig, Grand Tyler.

The Grand Lodge proceeded in carriages to the residence of the late R. W. Brother Montgomery, and escorted by the Grand Commandery, Knights Templar of Minnesota, Right Eminent Grand Commander W. Hayes Laird in command, accompanied the remains to the Hamline Methodist Episcopal church, where an eloquent and appropriate address was delivered by the Pastor, Rev. Bro. R. N. Avison. Midway Lodge No. 185 and Montgomery Lodge No. 258 attended as Lodges. The Grand Chapter, the Grand Council and a large number of brethren were also in attendance. The Grand Lodge presented a very beautiful floral offering.

After the services at the church, the funeral cortege proceeded to Oakland Cemetery, where the burial service was conducted by M. W. Bro. Henry M. Tusler, Past Grand Master.

The honorary pall-bearers were Past Grand Masters E. W. Durant, Henry R. Denny, Calvin L. Brown, Henry R. Adams, Gideon S. Ives, A. D. Countryman, Henry M. Tusler and Thomas Morris.

After the services at the grave were concluded, the Grand Lodge returned to the Grand Secretary's office and the Grand Master appointed M. W. Bros. Gideon S. Ives, E. W. Durant and R. W. Bro. David W. Knowlton as a committee to draft resolutions of sympathy and present them to the family of the late R. W. Brother Montgomery.

An occasional Communication of the Grand Lodge was held at Little Falls, Minn., Jan. 7, 1908, for the purpose of dedicating the hall of the Little Falls Lodge No. 140, hereinbefore referred to.

The Grand Lodge was opened in ample form in a room adjacent to the hall of Little Falls Lodge No. 140, at 3:30 o'clock p. m. with the officers as before named.

The Grand Lodge then repaired to the hall of Little Falls Lodge No. 140 and dedicated the same to masonic use in due and ancient form. The ceremonies being completed, the Grand Lodge returned to the room where opened, and was closed at 4:30 p. m. in ample form.

DISTRICT DEPUTIES.

With reference to the work of the District Deputy Grand Masters, the results have not been as satisfactory as was expected. Some deputies have furnished excellent and complete reports, some have furnished partial reports, some have made no reports at all. It would

be well for the districts in selecting their representatives to select those who can devote some time to the interest of the work. The office of D. . D. . G. . M. . is of great importance, and experience has shown that where an active District Deputy has looked after his work properly the interest in masonic work and the standing of the Lodges have been greatly benefited thereby.

In this connection I desire to compliment Bro. Wm. A. Hawkins of the Twenty-first district on the very thorough and conscientious manner in which he has performed the duties of his office. If all the District Deputy Grand Masters would take the same interest and manifest the same zeal there would be no need of considering any change in the present system.

NECROLOGY.

The Grand Lodge is at this time called upon to mourn the loss of its most beloved Brother, Right Worshipful Thomas Montgomery, late Grand Secretary.

On June 11th I sent a notice of the death of Brother Montgomery to all the subordinate Lodges of our Grand Jurisdiction, and in memory of our honored Brother, I ordered that the notice be read in each Lodge in this jurisdiction at the first stated Communication after its receipt, a record of the fact noted in the minutes, and the altars and jewels of the Lodges suitably draped for a period of thirty days.

Bro. Thomas Montgomery, Grand Secretary, passed away on June 7, 1907.

Major Thomas Montgomery was born on June 4, 1841, at Mount Charles, Donegal County, Ireland. In 1856 the family moved to Minnesota, settling at Cleveland, Le Sueur County.

He was a member of Company K, 7th Minnesota Infantry, Volunteers, being sworn in on Aug. 19, 1862. On May 17, 1864, he was commissioned Captain, Company B, 3d Missouri Volunteers and was honorably discharged Jan. 22, 1867, receiving the rank of Major by brevet in 1866.

In July, 1883, he organized A. K. Skaro Post, Grand Army of the Republic, at St. Peter, Minnesota, and was chosen its first Commander. He was also a member of the Loyal Legion.

The deceased was prominent in municipal affairs, throwing his influence for what was best and for progress in his city life.

He was an active religious worker and a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Brother Montgomery petitioned for his degrees in Concord Lodge No. 47, Cleveland, Minn. He was made an Entered Apprentice, Sept. 2, 1865, passed September 4th, and raised on September 7th. He withdrew on June 29, 1867, affiliated with Nicollet Lodge No. 54, St. Peter,

on Sept. 17, 1867. He was chosen Junior Warden in 1868, Senior Warden in 1869, Master in 1871, 1876, 1881 and 1889. He was chosen Secretary in 1878, 1884 and 1888. He was representative to the Grand Lodge from 1869 to 1873 and from 1890 to 1891. He was District Deputy from 1874 to 1885.

He was made a Royal Arch Mason in Blue Earth Chapter No. 7, Mankato, on March 25, 1873. On April 6, 1875, he withdrew from No. 7, and instituted St. Peter Chapter No. 22. He was appointed High Priest U. D. on June 24, 1873, and named Hight Priest in charter on June 3, 1874. He was chosen High Priest from 1875 to 1878 and again from 1881 to 1889. He was Deputy Grand High Priest from 1879 to 1880 and representative to the Grand Chapter from 1873 to 1890. He was anointed High Priest at St. Paul, June 25, 1874, and was President of the Grand Convention of Anointed High Priests of Minnesota in 1891 and every year after until his death. On Jan. 10, 1881, at Minneapolis in Adoniram Council, he received the degrees of Royal and Select Master.

He was created a Knight Templar in Mankato Commandery No. 4, Mankato, on May 8, 1874. On March 16, 1880, he was chosen Captain General, on March 15, 1881, Eminent Commander and reelected in 1884. He represented No. 4 at the Grand Commandery from 1880 to 1885 and again from 1895 to 1899.

Brother Montgomery received the degrees of Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, Southern Jurisdiction of the United States, at Mankato, from Sept. 30, 1879, to July 24, 1880. On Oct. 18, 1888, he was chosen Knight Commander of the Court of Honor. On April 22, 1888, he was appointed Deputy Inspector General. On July 16, 1888, he assisted in organizing Osiris Lodge of Perfection, Mankato, and was chosen Junior Warden. On July 24, 1890, he organized Delta Lodge of Perfection at St. Peter, Minn., and was chosen Venerable Master. In 1904 he joined the several bodies in St. Paul, Minn.

Brother Montgomery was appointed Assistant Grand Secretary on Jan. 15, 1878, and served in that office for twelve years. On Nov. 30, 1889, he was appointed Grand Secretary and on Jan. 16, 1890, was elected to that office; and served until his demise.

Oct. 14, 1890, he was elected Grand Secretary of the Grand Chapter and served as such until his death.

Oct. 14, 1890, he was chosen Grand Recorder of the Grand Council and held this office until his death. On June 24, 1890, he was elected Grand Recorder of the Grand Commandery and reelected annually until his demise with the exception of the years 1904 and 1905.

The time has come in our national and individual life, when we feel that we are secure only as we dwell upon facts. We have mourned our deceased Brother, but of one whose life has given unto us such a record of facts as the above, what more can be said?

"Oh Thou who did'st all things devise, and fashion for the best;
Help us who see with mortal eyes to overlook the rest."

DEATHS OF DISTINGUISHED BRETHREN IN SISTER
JURISDICTIONS.

- Arkansas*—Edmund Metcalf, Grand Tyler for twenty-four years, died July 19, 1907.
- British Columbia*—Eli Harrison, Past Grand Master, died Sept. 19, 1907.
- Canada*—Hugh Murray, Grand Secretary, died Nov. 28, 1907.
- Colorado*—George Keith Kimball, Past Grand Master, died Apr. 8, 1907.
- Connecticut*—Asa Smith, Past Grand Master, died Sept. 29, 1907.
- Dist. of Columbia*—Robert Bruce Donaldson, Past Grand Master, died Nov. 22, 1907.
- Illinois*—Joseph Harrison Collins Dill, Past Grand Secretary, died Aug. 5, 1907.
- Indiana*—Christian Fetta, Past Grand Master, died Oct. 1, 1907.
- Manitoba*—George B. Frederick Newcomb, Past Grand Master, died Dec. 8, 1907.
- Missouri*—Joshua B. Thomas, Past Grand Master, died Nov. 15, 1907.
- Missouri*—Noah M. Given, Past Grand Master, died Oct. 3, 1907.
- Missouri*—Wm. R. Stubblefield, Past Grand Master, died Jan. 10, 1908.
- Michigan*—Erastus E. Stone, Senior Grand Warden, died January, 1907.
- Michigan*—Charles L. Stephans, Grand Master, died Jan. 27, 1907.
- Michigan*—Henry Chamberlain, Past Grand Master, died Feb. 9, 1907.
- Michigan*—Charles Fitz Roy Bellows, Past Grand Master, died April 16, 1907.
- Montana*—Cornelius Hedges, Past Grand Master, and Grand Secretary, died April 29, 1907.
- Nebraska*—George W. Lininger, Past Grand Master, died June 8, 1907.
- New York*—John Stewart, Past Grand Master, died Jan. 1, 1908.
- Ohio*—Charles Alexander Woodward, Past Grand Master, died Feb. 15, 1907.
- Rhode Island*—Edward Livingston Freeman, Past Grand Master, died Feb. 24, 1907.
- Tennessee*—Wm. S. Smith, Past Grand Master, died July 28, 1907.
- Vermont*—Edwin Wheelock, Grand Chaplain, died Dec. 19, 1907.
- Virginia*—Robert Templeman Craighill, Past Grand Master, died Sept. 25, 1907.
- Virginia*—Robert Enoch Withers, Past Grand Master, died Sept. 21, 1907.
- Wisconsin*—Ganem W. Washburn, Past Grand Master, died Oct. 7, 1907.
- Wisconsin*—Myron Reed, Past Grand Master, died Oct. 12, 1907.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

I respectfully recommend that Section 352, page 228, of the Masonic Code of Minnesota, which reads as follows, be repealed:

"He (the Grand Secretary) is authorized to charge not to exceed fifty cents for each certificate attached to diplomas, masonic records and charts, and other certificates for private use, requiring his official signature and the impression of the Grand Lodge seal, as this is no part of his official duty for which he is compensated by the Grand Lodge, but is only for the benefit of the holders of such documents."

It does not seem proper that an officer, working under a salary, executing papers and affixing his seal, and receiving a compensation therefore, should demand a fee, and I recommend that the Grand Lodge vote additional salary to cover such work.

I also respectfully recommend that extension rods for the Deacons and Stewards, and the proper vessels which are used in connection with the laying of cornerstones and dedication of halls, etc., be purchased by the Grand Lodge. These extension rods are necessary, because, when the local Lodges are at work, their rods are in use and it is difficult to procure rods suitable for that purpose.

I also respectfully recommend that the telephone used in the Grand Secretary's office be placed on an independent line, because it is used for conveying important messages and it is needless to say that the line should be as private as possible.

I would also respectfully recommend that an appendix to the present Code be printed. The latest revision is that of 1900, and there are at the present time many things that are not included in that issue.

The presence of the Grand Secretary is most essential to the proper carrying out of the ceremonies incident to the laying of corner stones, by the Grand Lodge, and often in the dedication of halls. I therefore recommend that the Grand Lodge provide for the reimbursement of the Grand Secretary's expenses in attending such ceremonies, upon bills approved by the Grand Master.

CONCLUSION.

On many occasions I have been kindly and ably assisted by the officers of the Grand Lodge. I sincerely thank them for their coöperation.

There are many reasons why I should emphatically commend a certain brother, but I do so from one reason only—a sense of justice. I wish to officially and publicly thank Brother John Fishel for his timely counsel to me and his able assistance cheerfully rendered to me while I have been the Grand Master of Masons of the Jurisdiction of Minnesota, and he acting as Grand Secretary, and for the faithful and efficient manner in which he has discharged the duties of his office.

In this connection I also wish to express my sincere thanks to R. W. Bro. Wm. P. Roberts, Deputy Grand Master, and Brother Elmer A. Kling, Senior Grand Deacon, for their kind and efficient support given me on many occasions during the past year. Brother Roberts' services have been of especial value to me, and he has always been ready and willing to assist in the work whenever called upon.

Brethren, on life's journey we have passed another milestone. On life's voyage we have sailed another league. Within our Fraternity this past year I have found to be true:

"There are loyal hearts,
There are spirits brave,
Then give to the world the best you have,
And the best shall come back to you."

GUSTAF WIDELL,

Grand Master.

REPORT OF GRAND TREASURER.

Brethren of the Grand Lodge:

I herewith submit my report as Grand Treasurer for the term beginning Jan. 23, 1907, and ending Jan. 21, 1908.

GENERAL FUND.

Receipts.

1907.		
Jan. 23.	Cash on hand as per last report.....	\$12,805.66
Apr. 23.	Cash from Minnesota Loan & Trust Co., certificate of deposit.....	1,000.00
	Interest on same to April 23, 1907.....	16.72
July 2.	Interest on \$1,000.00 certificate of deposit to May 1, 1907	\$17.50
July 15.	Cash received from the Grand Secretary.....	46.75
Aug. 2.	Cash from Minnesota Loan & Trust Co., certificate of deposit.....	1,000.00
	Interest on same to Aug. 2, 1907.....	8.75
Oct. 4.	Cash received from Grand Secretary.....	64.06
Nov. 9.	Cash received from Grand Secretary.....	21.50
Dec. 18.	Cash received from Grand Secretary.....	388.66
Dec. 20.	Cash received from Grand Secretary.....	115.90
Dec. 21.	Cash received from Grand Secretary.....	135.00

Dec. 23.	Cash received from Grand Secretary.....	90.20
Dec. 24.	Cash received from Grand Secretary.....	106.20
Dec. 26.	Cash received from Grand Secretary.....	145.40
Dec. 27.	Cash received from Grand Secretary.....	182.00
Dec. 28.	Cash received from Grand Secretary.....	232.00
Dec. 31.	Cash received from Grand Secretary.....	649.40
1908.		
Jan. 1.	Cash received from Grand Secretary.....	339.00
Jan. 2.	Cash received from Grand Secretary.....	1,368.00
Jan. 3.	Cash received from Grand Secretary.....	1,799.90
Jan. 4.	Cash received from Grand Secretary.....	1,541.40
Jan. 6.	Cash received from Grand Secretary.....	967.60
Jan. 6.	Cash received from Grand Secretary.....	2,223.00
Jan. 7.	Cash received from Grand Secretary.....	1,246.40
Jan. 9.	Cash received from Grand Secretary.....	513.40
Jan. 10.	Cash received from Grand Secretary.....	363.40
Jan. 11.	Cash received from Grand Secretary.....	67.20
Jan. 13.	Cash received from Grand Secretary.....	99.20
Jan. 14.	Cash received from Grand Secretary.....	425.40
Jan. 15.	Cash received from Grand Secretary.....	89.98
Jan. 16.	Cash received from Grand Secretary.....	102.40
Jan. 17.	Cash received from Grand Secretary.....	162.80
Jan. 18.	Cash received from Grand Secretary.....	119.20
Jan. 20.	Cash received from Grand Secretary.....	52.30
Jan. 21.	Cash received from Grand Secretary.....	34.80
Jan. 21.	Cash received from Grand Secretary.....	64.00

Total receipts..... \$28,605.08

Disbursements.

Cash paid on the following orders since January 23, 1907:

No.		
1.	Jan. 25—Thomas Morris, G.'. Master's expenses.....	\$300.00
2.	Jan. 25—Thos. Montgomery, G.'. Sec., two assistants..	30.00
3.	Jan. 25—T. Montgomery, G.'. Sec., Contingent fund..	\$300.00
4.	Jan. 25—T. Montgomery, G.'. Sec., one-half office rent..	150.00
5.	Jan. 25—Charles J. Kruger, Grand Tyler.....	50.00
6.	Jan. 25—John H. Ludwig, tiling Grand Lodge.....	10.00
7.	Jan. 25—Irving Todd, Report on Correspondence.....	100.00
8.	Jan. 25—J. J. Buckhout, care Grand Lodge rooms.....	50.00
9.	Jan. 25—T. Montgomery, G.'. Sec., binding books.....	100.00
10.	Jan. 25—T. Montgomery, G.'. Sec., custodians, etc....	116.42
11.	Jan. 25—J. T. D. Mergan, W.'. M.'. No. 26, for widow of Sidney Partridge.....	100.00

12.	Jan. 25—F. W. Birch, W. M. No. 32, for Bro. Jos. Batlik	100.00
13.	Jan. 25—Elmer E. Cummings, W. M. No. 36, for J. E. Benedict and wife.....	100.00
14.	Jan. 25—M. O. Anderson, W. M. No. 39, for Bro. Adrian Drost.....	100.00
15.	Jan. 25—Wm. Jacobs, W. M. No. 62, for Bro. Henry Frazee and wife.....	100.00
16.	Jan. 25—A. C. Cornwell, W. M. No. 63, for Bro. Aug. Smith.....	100.00
17.	Jan. 25—O. L. Dornberg, W. M. No. 91, for widow of Bro. David Watson.....	100.00
18.	Jan. 25—Wm. Sartell, W. M. No. 93, for Bro. A. C. Johnson.....	50.00
19.	Jan. 25—F. D. Waterman, W. M. No. 95, for Mrs. P. O. Hawes.....	100.00
20.	Jan. 25—Gus. Crail, W. M. No. 108, for Bro. J. E. Getman and wife.....	150.00
21.	Jan. 25—Peter Larson, W. M. No. 138, for Bro. L. B. Woolson.....	100.00
22.	Jan. 25—W. E. Schmidt, W. M. No. 193, for Bro. N. W. Sargent.....	50.00
23.	Jan. 25—E. E. McGrew, W. M. No. 218, for Bro. Peter Larson.....	100.00
24.	Jan. 25—David W. Knowlton, G. Treas., relief of Alice P. Goodrich, Chicago, 240; and Albert Marden New Ulm, \$100.....	340.00
25.	Jan. 25—David W. Knowlton, G. Treas., transfer to Widows' and Orphans' fund.....	5,000.00
26.	Jan. 25—Wm. P. Roberts, Sec. Minn. Masonic Home for four Grand Lodge memberships.....	1,000.00
27.	Feb. 21—Thomas Montgomery, account typewriter....	50.00
28.	Mar. 1—David W. Knowlton, G. Treas., pay-roll 1907	2,756.35
29.	Mar. 4—Thos. Montgomery, G. Sec., salary Jan. and Feb.	\$208.33
30.	Mar. 6—Fred. L. Gray Co., premium on bond of Grand Treasurer	25.00
31.	Mar. 23—Thomas Montgomery, pictures, etc.....	49.00
32.	Mar. 23—Thomas Montgomery, G. Lodge Index, etc..	100.00
33.	Apr. 20—Pioneer Press Co., printing proceedings.....	422.16
34.	Apr. 25—L. N. Bryant, insurance.....	20.70
35.	Apr. 26—Giles W. Merrill, Sec. Masonic Veterans....	100.00
36.	May 22—L. N. Bryant, insurance.....	31.05
37.	May 31—Thomas Montgomery, G. Sec., salary March,	

	April and May.....	312.50
38.	June 26—The Dispatch Printing Co., rent to July 1, 1907	100.00
39.	June 26—The Dispatch Printing Co., rent for July, 1907	50.00
40.	July 2—John Fishel, expenses Montgomery funeral...	84.89
41.	July 2—John Fishel, salary as G. Sec., June 11 to 30 inclusive	69.44
42.	July 26—A. J. Hubbell, typewriter.....	69.00
43.	Aug. 1—The Pioneer Press Co., printing.....	42.70
44.	Aug. 1—The West St. Paul Times, printing.....	4.25
45.	Aug. 1—The Dispatch Printing Co., rent for August 1907	50.00
46.	Aug. 1—John Fishel, salary as G. Sec., for July, 1907	104.16
47.	Aug. 1—John Fishel, telephone and contingent exp....	17.97
48.	Aug. 6—Walter Salinger, resolutions, etc.....	62.50
49.	Aug. 31—The Dispatch Printing Co., rent for Sept., 1907	50.00
50.	Aug. 31—John Fishel, salary as G. Sec., for Aug., 1907	104.16
51.	Sept. 3—John Fishel, telephone and contingent exp....	5.78
52.	Sept. 23—W. B. Patton, school instruction.....	9.36
53.	Oct. 1—The Dispatch Printing Co., rent for Oct., 1907	50.00
54.	Oct. 1—John Fishel, salary as G. Sec., for Sept., 1907	104.16
55.	Oct. 1—John Fishel, contingent expenses.....	4.50
56.	Nov. 1—The West St. Paul Times, letter heads.....	2.50
57.	Nov. 1—The Dispatch Printing Co., rent for Nov., 1907	50.00
58.	Nov. 1—John Fishel, salary as G. Sec., for Oct., 1907	104.16
59.	Nov. 1—John Fishel, contingent exp. for Oct., 1907....	9.06
60.	Nov. 9—L. N. Bryant, insurance.....	31.05
61.	Dec. 2—The Dispatch Printing Co., rent for Dec., 1907	50.00
62.	Dec. 10—The Auditing Committee, salary, etc.....	40.72
63.	Dec. 13—John Fishel, salary as G. Sec., for Nov., 1907	104.16
64.	Dec. 13—John Fishel, contingent expenses.....	4.89
65.	Dec. 13—The West St. Paul Times, printing.....	1.75
66.	Dec. 19—John Fishel, amount refunded Lodges.....	49.79
67.	Jan. 1—The Dispatch Printing Co., rent for Jan., 1908	50.00
68.	Jan. 1—The West St. Paul Times, printing.....	\$10.00
69.	Jan. 1—John Fishel, contingent expenses.....	20.89
70.	Jan. 1—John Fishel, salary as G. Sec., for Dec., 1907	104.21
71.	Jan. 18—D. W. Knowlton, salary as G. Sec. Treas.....	200.00
72.	Jan. 18—The West St. Paul Times, printing.....	1.75
73.	Jan. 18—Rich & Clymer, printing.....	3.00

Total payments.....	\$14,692.22
Balance in General Fund Jan. 21, 1908.....	13,912.86

Total as above.....	\$28,605.08
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WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' FUND.

Receipts.

1907	
Jan. 23.	Balance in treasury as per last report..... \$2,707.46
	Cash from General Fund, Warrant No. 25..... 5,000.00
Feb. 20.	Six months' interest on Minneapolis Chamber of Commerce bonds, Nos. 401, 402, 403, 442 and 443, to Feb. 1, 1907..... 112.50
Mar. 27.	Six months' interest on City of Minneapolis bonds, Nos. 94 and 107, to April 1, 1907..... 322.50
July 2.	Six months' interest on St. Louis Co. bond, No. 59, to July 1, 1907..... 20.00
	Six months' interest on City of Minneapolis bonds, Nos. 108, 109, 142, 213, 407 and 470, to July 1, 1907..... 407.50
July 29.	Six months' interest on City of St. Paul bond, No. 194, to Aug 1, 1907..... 140.00
Aug. 2.	Six months' interest on Minneapolis Chamber of Commerce bonds, Nos. 401, 402, 403, 442 and 443, to Aug. 1, 1907..... 112.50
Sept. 30.	Six months' interest on City of Minneapolis bonds, Nos. 94 and 107, to Oct. 1, 1907..... 322.50
Dec. 28.	Six months' interest on City of Minneapolis bonds, Nos. 108, 109, 142, 213, 407 and 470, to Jan. 1, 1908..... 407.50
1908	
Jan. 2.	Six months' interest on St. Louis Co. bond, No. 59, to Jan. 1, 1908..... 20.00
Total	
\$9,572.46	

Disbursements.

1907	
Feb. 28.	Cash paid for City of St. Paul bond, No. 94..... \$7,287.00
	Balance in Treasury Jan. 21, 1908..... 2,285.46
Total	
\$9,572.46	

BENEFICIARY FUND.

Receipts.

1907—Cash received from General Fund for Bro. Albert Marden and Alice Paris Goodrich.....	\$340.00
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Disbursements.

Cash disbursed in monthly and quarterly installments to the above named beneficiaries.....	\$340.00
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RECAPITULATION.

General Fund.

Cash on hand Jan. 21, 1908..... \$13,912.86

Widows' and Orphans' Fund.

Cash on hand Jan. 21, 1908.....	\$2,285.46
City of Minneapolis Bond No. 94, par value.....	15,000.00
City of Minneapolis Bond No. 107, par value.....	1,000.00
City of Minneapolis Bond No. 108, par value.....	2,000.00
City of Minneapolis Bond No. 109, par value.....	2,000.00
City of Minneapolis Bond No. 142, par value.....	2,000.00
St. Louis County Bond No. 59, par value.....	1,000.00
City of Minneapolis Bond No. 213, par value.....	2,000.00
City of Minneapolis Bond No. 407, par value.....	3,000.00
Minneapolis Chamber Commerce Bond No. 401, par value..	1,000.00
Minneapolis Chamber Commerce Bond No. 402, par value..	1,000.00
Minneapolis Chamber Commerce Bond No. 403, par value..	1,000.00
Minneapolis Chamber Commerce Bond No. 442, par value..	1,000.00
Minneapolis Chamber Commerce Bond No. 443, par value..	1,000.00
City of Minneapolis Bond No. 470, par value.....	11,000.00
City of St. Paul Bond No. 194, par value.....	7,000.00

Total in Widows' and Orphans' Fund..... \$53,285.46

Grand total in both funds..... \$67,198.32

Fraternally submitted,

DAVID W. KNOWLTON,

Grand Treasurer.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

REPORT OF GRAND SECRETARY.

To the Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge:

I have the honor to submit herewith my first annual report as Grand Secretary, having assumed the office June 11, 1907, succeeding the lamented Bro. Thomas Montgomery.

PROCEEDINGS AND COMMISSIONS.

The proceedings of 1907 were published promptly and given the usual distribution. Commissions as Grand Representatives have been

issued and received as stated by the Grand Master. Commissions were also issued to the thirty-four District Deputy Grand Masters and the necessary blanks sent them. Circulars have been issued to the Lodges from time to time as occasion required.

GRAND LODGE INDEX AND CORRESPONDENCE.

Bro. Montgomery stated in his report last year that he had found no time to carry forward the indexing of the names of new members for the past three years. I have been able, by working early and late, to bring the index up to date and have also entered the Grand Lodge Registry numbers. Request was made to various railway companies for reduced rates for this Communication, but on account of the low passenger rates now prevailing the request was declined. The correspondence of the office, which has been voluminous, has been promptly attended to, and so far as I am aware, the work of the office is complete and up to date.

I have also been able, much to my pleasure, to accompany the M. W. Grand Master on a number of his official visits.

BINDING.

The \$100.00 appropriated last year for binding was judiciously expended by Bro. Montgomery and a similar appropriation should be made this year.

CALIFORNIA RELIEF FUND.

On Sept. 21, 1907, I received from Grand Master Widell \$448.20, representing the unused portion of the contribution by Minnesota Lodges for the relief of California earthquake sufferers, with instructions to return pro rata to the Lodges contributing. This I have done. Olivia Lodge No. 220 returned me the amount sent them, stating that they had already received a refund direct from the Grand Master of California, and this amount together with the amount due the late Hokah Lodge No. 17 was turned over to the Grand Treasurer.

RETURNS OF LODGES.

There are now 246 chartered Lodges on the roll. Returns have been received from all and from the two Lodges U. D. Section 280 of the Code provides that the returns must be forwarded to the Grand Secretary on or before the second day of January, yet more than 23 per cent were received late. Some action should be taken to secure a more prompt compliance with the regulation. When received late it is only by working practically day and night that the Grand Secretary can get them tabulated and have his report ready for the Grand Lodge.

The returns show the Craft to be in a prosperous condition. Seventeen Lodges did no work at all; twenty-eight raised none; 178 raised from one to ten each, and 27 raised from 11 to 20 each. Those raising more than 20 were 12, viz.: No. 2, 32; No. 3, 43; No. 4, 24; No. 5, 33; No. 19, 54; No. 79, 27; No. 112, 53; No. 163, 35; No. 165, 24; No. 168, 23; No. 176, 34 and No. 233, 21. 52 Lodges fell behind with a loss of 147. The net gains and losses are as follows: Initiated, 1,565; passed, 1,535; raised, 1,546; joined, 402; restored, 79. Total gains, 2,027. Withdrawn, 561; stricken from the roll, 205; suspended, 5; expelled, 3; died, 291. Total losses, 1,065. Net gain, 962. Total membership Dec. 31, 1907, 22,987. The largest net gains were: No. 2, 25; No. 3, 20; No. 19, 50; No. 79, 21; No. 106, 20; No. 112, 62; No. 163, 33; No. 168, 22; No. 176, 38 and No. 187, 20.

The Lodges having a membership of over 300 are: No. 2, 567; No. 3, 405; No. 4, 370; No. 5, 531; No. 18, 369; No. 19, 1,137; No. 79, 610; No. 112, 489; No. 163, 432; No. 176, 391; No. 186, 418 and No. 224, 307.

Five Lodges show neither gain nor loss. The gains and losses of 25 are equal.

DISPENSATION FOR NEW LODGE.

By order of the Grand Master a dispensation was issued on Nov. 7, 1907, on the petition of nine brethren, for the formation of a new Lodge at Eagle Bend, Todd County. Returns have been received from this Lodge, their books are here for your inspection, they have paid the charter fee and respectfully ask for a charter. Roseau Lodge, the dispensation for which was ordered continued by the Grand Lodge last year, has also made returns, paid the charter fee, their books are here for your inspection and they respectfully ask for a charter.

TYPEWRITING MACHINE.

The Grand Lodge having concurred in the recommendation of the Grand Chapter that a typewriting machine be procured for the Grand Secretary's office and made the necessary appropriation, I was able to purchase a new standard machine with the regulation folding cabinet, complete, and still have a small part of the appropriation left.

RECEIPTS.

Receipts during the year have been as follows:

Received from the Auditing Committee:

Fees and dues.....	\$83.50
Sale of paraphernalia.....	20.00
Sale of Proceedings.....	1.50

Refund account Western Passenger Association	\$11.00	
Refund account contg. exp. G. Sec. Office.....	137.96	
Refund account rent.....	75.00	
Refund account typewriter.....	50.00	
		\$378.96
Received from sale of supplies.....	5.01	
Received from sale of Proceedings.....	3.00	
Received account rent.....	165.00	
Received account California relief fund.....	14.28	
Redeemed certificates of deposit.....	2,000.00	
Interest on certificates of deposit.....	42.97	
Grand Lodge certificates.....	1.50	
Dispensation Eagle Bend Lodge.....	20.00	
Charter fee Eagle Bend Lodge.....	25.00	
Charter fee Roseau Lodge.....	25.00	
Fees and dues.....	13,118.70	
		15,420.46
Total receipts.....		\$15,799.42

DISBURSEMENTS.

73 warrants have been drawn on the Grand Treasurer aggregating.....	\$14,692.22
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DISTRIBUTION OF DISBURSEMENTS.

Assistant Grand Secretaries, Communication 1907	\$30.00
Binding	100.00
Board of Custodians.....	125.78
Care Grand Lodge rooms, Communication 1907	50.00
Contingent expenses Grand Secretary's office.	339.24
(Of this amount \$137.96 was refunded, leaving the net contingent expenses \$201.28.)	
Engrossing Montgomery memorial.....	62.50
Expenses Montgomery funeral.....	84.89
Foreign Correspondence.....	100.00
Grand Lodge Index.....	100.00
Grand Master Morris' expenses.....	300.00
Grand Secretary's salary.....	1,250.00
Grand Treasurer's bond.....	25.00
Grand Treasurer's salary.....	200.00
Grand Tyler, Communication 1907.....	50.00
Insurance	82.80
Masonic Home memberships.....	1,000.00

Masonic Veteran Association, for printing.....	\$100.00	
Pay Roll, Communication 1907.....	2,756.35	
Pictures, Pierson Monument.....	6.50	
Printing	530.61	
Refund of overpaid dues.....	49.70	
Relief	1,590.00	
Rent	600.00	
(Of this amount \$75 was refunded and \$165 collected from the Grand Chapter and Grand Commandery, leaving a net rent of \$360.)		
Telephone	29.85	
Tyling Communication of 1907.....	10.00	
Typewriting machine.....	119.00	
(Of this amount \$50 was refunded, leaving net expenditure for typewriter \$69.)		
Widows' and Orphans' fund.....	5,000.00	
		\$14,692.22

BONDS AND INSURANCE.

The bond of Grand Treasurer Knowlton was promptly renewed last February and is on file. Insurance to the amount of \$4,000.00 is carried on the Grand Lodge property in the Grand Secretary's office.

CONCLUSION.

In conclusion, permit me to express to you my sincere appreciation of the uniform courtesy which I have received at your hands.

Fraternally submitted,

JOHN FISHEL,

Grand Secretary.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

A letter from Bro. Charles E. Elmquist (164), chairman of the Committee on District Deputy Grand Masters, was read by the Grand Secretary and the Grand Master ordered the committee continued.

Bro. O. H. Page (22) urged the Grand Master to request that a report on above subject be made at this Communication of the Grand Lodge.

The Grand Secretary read a letter from Miss Lida B. Pierson, presenting to the Masonic Grand Bodies the pic-

ture of Gen. Abert Pike, now in the Grand Secretary's office, and expressing her sincere and heartfelt thanks for the beautiful monument erected by them to the memory of her father and mother.

ORATION.

Bro. A. O. Eberhart (12), Grand Orator, then delivered an eloquent and scholarly address, which was ordered printed with the proceedings. (See Appendix.)

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON GRAND MASTER'S
ADDRESS.

Bro. E. C. Patterson (119) read the following report, which was adopted:

To the M. W. Grand Lodge now in Session:

Your committee to whom was referred for subdivision and reference the able address of the M. W. Grand Master, containing as it does so many pertinent and suggestive recommendations, would fraternally recommend:

1. That so much as relates to decisions, revision of Code, By-laws and special dispensations be referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence.
2. That so much as relates to the Lodges under dispensation be referred to the Committee on Lodges U. D.
3. That so much as relates to charters destroyed by fire be referred to the Committee on Ancient Landmarks.
4. That so much as relates to the recommendations made by the special committee appointed to audit the accounts of the Grand Secretary be referred to the Finance Committee.
5. That so much as relates to the purchase of supplies for the Grand Secretary's office, additional paraphernalia and expenses of Grand Secretary attending dedications of halls and other special communications of this Grand Lodge be referred to the Committee on Appropriations.
6. That so much as relates to the death of our R. W. Bro. Thomas Montgomery, late Grand Secretary, be referred to a special committee of three.

7. That so much as relates to other deceased brethren be referred to a special committee of three.
8. That so much as relates to the compensation of the members of the special Auditing Committee appointed by the Grand Master to audit the accounts of the late Grand Secretary be referred to the Committee on Appropriations.
9. That the residue of the address be referred to a special committee of three.

Lastly, we would most highly commend the M. W. Grand Master for his painstaking efforts in administering the affairs of this Grand Lodge during the year of his incumbency.

Fraternally submitted,

E. C. PATTERSON,
HARRY M. BURNHAM,
JOHN Q. MACKINTOSH,
Committee.

The special committees, provided for above, were appointed as follows:

— On the Death of R. W. Bro. Thomas Montgomery—Bros. G. E. Satterlee (141), E. W. Rossman (56), L. A. Barnes (198).

On Death of other Brethren—Bros. A. G. Pinkham (171), Geo. E. Swift (265), James A. Robinson (255).

On Residue of Address—Bros. Geo. E. Swift (265), J. H. Beck (163), W. R. Wilson (168).

A number of petitions for relief of needy brethren, etc., were presented by Lodges, all of which were referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

Bro. Irving Todd submitted his Report on Correspondence, which was ordered printed as an appendix to the proceedings.

Bro. O. H. Page (22) again spoke urging action at this Communication in the matter of District Deputy Grand Masters.

Bro. J. D. Markham (164) assured the Grand Lodge that the chairman, Bro. Elmquist, was prevented from attending this Communication and presenting his report by illness in his family.

Bro. F. A. Duxbury (20) moved that the committee be continued. Carried.

The following resolution, offered by Bro. Thomas Morris (141), was referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence.

Resolved, That the Grand Secretary be instructed to issue Grand Lodge dimits to the members of Fosston Lodge No. 206, who are in arrears, for the sum of \$10.00 each.

Bro. H. R. Wells (36) offered a resolution appropriating \$100 annually for printing the proceedings of the Veteran Association, and moved that the Grand Lodge pass upon it without reference, or before reference, to the Committee on Appropriations.

Bro. Wm. P. Roberts (4) moved as a substitute that the Grand Lodge approve the same, and that the resolution be then referred to the Committee on Appropriations. Carried.

Bro. G. S. Ives (54) reported for the Minnesota Masonic Home (corporation).

Bro. Wm. P. Roberts (4) moved that the report be printed in the proceedings. Carried. (See Appendix.)

Bro. Wm. P. Roberts (4) moved that the recommendation in said report relating to the John Schaefer bequest be referred to the Committee on Appropriations. Carried.

Bro. H. R. Wells (36) moved that Bro. G. S. Ives be elected to succeed himself on the Minnesota Masonic Home Board of Trustees. Carried.

The election of officers was made the special order of business at 2 o'clock p. m., tomorrow.

Bro. H. R. Wells (36) offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the proffer by Miss Lida B. Pierson of the magnificent portrait of that great apostle of Masonry, Albert Pike, now in the Grand Secretary's office, be accepted and the thanks of this Grand Lodge extended to Miss Pierson for her generous gift.

The Grand Lodge, at 5:45 p. m., was called from labor to refreshment until 9:30 a. m. tomorrow.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

ST. PAUL, THURSDAY, Jan. 23, 1908.

The Grand Lodge was called from refreshment to labor at 9:30 a. m., officers and members as before.

Bro. F. H. McCuskey (160) presented the following question, which was referred to the Committee on Ancient Landmarks:

Is a man having one artificial eye, who is otherwise qualified, eligible to receive the Masonic degrees?

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON DEATH OF BRO.

THOS. MONTGOMERY.

The special committee on the death of R. W. Bro. Thomas Montgomery, presented the following report, which was adopted and ordered printed in the proceedings:

To the M. W. Grand Lodge:

Your committee to whom was referred that part of the Grand Master's address relating to the death of our lamented brother Thomas Montgomery, the late Grand Secretary of our Grand Lodge, respectfully report:

That having carefully considered the matter and recognizing the patriotism, masterly ability, executive powers, Christian character and masonic zeal of our departed brother, and proud of his masonic record and career, and believing that his memory will be ever held in high esteem and honor by his brethren, most heartily approve of all said part of Grand Master's address, and also as expressed in the memorial resolutions prepared by a committee of this Grand Lodge, and recommend its adoption, and also recommend that said memorial resolutions be spread upon the records of this Grand Lodge.

Fraternally submitted,

GEO. E. SATTERLEE,
E. W. ROSSMAN,
L. A. BARNES,

Committee.

Adopted, and the memorial ordered printed in the proceedings.

IN MEMORIAM.

THOMAS MONTGOMERY, *Grand Secretary*

Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M. of Minnesota.

Born June 4, 1841, died at St Paul, Minn., June 7, 1907.

HALL OF THE GRAND LODGE A. F. & A. M. OF MINNESOTA.

The solemn notes that betoken the dissolution of this earthly tabernacle have again alarmed our outer door.

BROTHER THOMAS MONTGOMERY, a Mason for forty-two years, and for more than seventeen years continuously R. W. Grand Secretary of this Grand Lodge, has been suddenly called from his labors here to the Grand Lodge above, where the Supreme Grand Architect of the universe presides. His work was not done, yet his column is broken. His death was untimely and his Brethren mourn.

For many years Brother Montgomery diligently wrought in the quarries of Masonry in the State of his adoption, and his work has always been pronounced good, square and true.

His long and faithful service on foundation and superstructure of Minnesota Masonry has afforded valuable and material aid, not only in the increase of our membership from a comparatively small number when he commenced in 1865 to more than 22,000 in 1907, but in advancing, maintaining and preserving the high standard of Masonic character in this jurisdiction.

The evidences of his zeal, ability, untiring industry and devotion to the cause of Masonry may be found, as well in his private writings (which have served to make him so well and favorably known in Masonic circles both at home and abroad), as in the thousands of pages of the journals of this Grand Lodge—there furnishing an imperishable monument to his memory among the craftsmen of Minnesota.

While to his Brethren it now seems that he was taken away at the height of his usefulness, and at a time when he was better than ever prepared to serve the great purposes of life, yet it is a satisfaction, in reverting to the history he has made for himself, to read upon its final page the record of a man in his fulness of being, in the highest development of mind and intellect; to know that it is the full and perfect fruit gathered in without bitterness arising either from the weight of years or physical infirmities; and to feel that we may close this record at high twelve instead of the dark and clouded night, and at a period which leaves no indication of man's decay, but speaks only of strength, vigor and immortality.

Be it Therefore Resolved, By the Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M. of Minnesota, here assembled, that in the death of our esteemed Brother, Masonry has lost one of its brightest lights; our Grand Lodge a diligent and efficient officer; the Brethren a strong and helpful co-worker; the members of the Grand Army of the Republic and Loyal Legion an esteemed and honored Comrade and Companion; the State a valuable citizen, and his immediate family a kind husband and father.

Be it Further Resolved, That we hereby tender to his widow and family our sincere sympathy in their great bereavement, and may the great Master above help and comfort them in this trying hour.

Resolved Further, That as a token of respect to the memory of our deceased Brother, these resolutions be read in each Lodge at its first regular Communication after receiving the same, and that the Altar and Jewels of the Lodges be draped for the period of thirty days.

And be it Further Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be suitably engrossed and presented to the family of our late Brother.

GIDEON S. IVES,
EDWARD W. DURANT,
DAVID W. KNOWLTON,
Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LODGES U. D.

To the M. W. Grand Lodge:

Your Committee on Lodges U. D. fraternally report that they have carefully examined the records of Roseau Lodge U. D., located at Roseau, Roseau County, and Eagle Bend Lodge U. D., located at Eagle Bend, Todd County, and recommend that charters be granted each of said Lodges.

Fraternally submitted,

E. W. DURANT,
R. E. DENFELD,
O. M. HENDERSON,
Committee.

Adopted.

Bro. Ralph H. Wheeler of Chicago, Ill., addressed the Grand Lodge in the interest of The General Masonic Relief Association, and on the motion of Bro. J. A. Robinson (255) the matter was referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN CORRESPONDENCE.

To the M. . W. . Grand Lodge:

Your Committee on Foreign Correspondence, to whom was referred the applications of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, the Grand Orient of Greece, and the Grand Lodge Alpina for recognition, would report as follows:

The Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan was regularly organized May 25, 1906, with the cordial assent and coöperation of the Mother Grand Lodge of Manitoba, and we recognize it as a Sovereign Grand Lodge and recommend an exchange of representatives.

The two other applications are recommended to be indefinitely postponed.

Fraternally, submitted,

IRVING TODD,

Adopted.

Chairman.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON DECEASED BRETHREN.

To the M. . W. . Grand Lodge:

Your special Committee on the Death of Distinguished Brethren in Sister Jurisdictions respectfully report as follows:

The Grim Reaper has been very busy during the past year in gathering sheaves of ripened grain. As stated in the Grand Master's address, twenty-seven Past Grand Officers have been called from the labors of earth to the refreshment of Paradise.

Were it within the bounds of possibility your committee would gladly make individual record of the life and services, and pay individual tribute to the memory of each distinguished brother. They are not dead, but only away from us, as if on a long journey, or in a far land. Their faces are still pictured in the minds of loved ones left behind, and the touch of their vanished hands is still remembered. For us who are left, the shadows of the evening are lengthening out, and the way that remains for each of us to go is not very long. Well will it be for us before we lie down to rest to ask ourselves how we have done our duty in the great and constant warfare against the vices and superfluities of life. The deeds of our departed brethren inspire us and their steadfastness encourages us.

To the bereaved we extend our loving sympathy.

Fraternally submitted,

A. G. PINKHAM,
GEO. E. SWIFT,
JAS. A. ROBINSON,

Adopted.

Committee.

Bro. Chas. A. Lambert (132) presented the following resolution:

WHEREAS, The present system of keeping copies of the Annual Reports in the subordinate Lodges seems to be inadequate as a record of said Lodges, and in a great many cases said copies are mislaid or lost, therefore be it

Resolved, That the Grand Secretary be and is hereby instructed to have a supply of the present Annual Report Blanks printed and bound in book form, each holding 25 copies, and sell them to the subordinate Lodges at or near cost, thereby enabling said Lodges to keep their records in as condensed form as possible.

Resolved Further; That this be referred to a special committee of three of which the Grand Secretary be a member.

Referred to a special committee consisting of Brs. John Fishel, Grand Secretary, John T. Johnson (99), Chas. A. Lambert (132), which committee recommended that the resolution be adopted.

Adopted and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

Bro. L. A. Barnes (198) presented the following resolution, which was adopted.

Resolved, By the Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Minnesota, that this Grand Body views with concern the large number of absentees at the opening roll call and hereby calls upon all subordinate Lodges to put forth every effort to have prompt, regular and continuous representation at all regular sessions of this Grand Lodge.

REPORT OF BOARD OF CUSTODIANS.

Bro. J. H. Sprout (57) presented the following report of the Board of Custodians, which was accepted and ordered printed in the proceedings.

To the M.: W.: Grand Lodge:

The Board of Custodians respectfully report that during the week immediately prior to the convening of this Grand Lodge, they held their regular annual meeting in the City of St. Paul, in accordance with the terms of Sec. 148 of the Masonic Code, for the purpose of

reviewing the work and lectures pertaining to the several degrees, and giving instruction therein to such of the brethren as attended the meetings. They held three daily sessions each day. All the members of the Board were present. There were also present at said meetings to receive instruction, 216 Master Masons, most of them being either Masters or Wardens, representing 118 Lodges, to-wit: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 11, 12, 18, 19, 20, 24, 26, 30, 31, 34, 37; 39, 41, 42, 43, 45, 46, 48, 52, 62, 64, 78, 79, 81, 82, 83, 84, 87, 90, 92, 93, 94, 97, 98, 101, 104, 106, 107, 108, 109, 112, 114, 119, 121, 122, 124, 126, 128, 133, 136, 137, 139, 140, 141, 143, 145, 146, 149, 150, 152, 154, 159, 163, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 173, 177, 179, 180, 182, 184, 186, 190, 191, 194, 195, 198, 199, 204, 206, 207, 208, 211, 214, 216, 219, 221, 222, 227, 229, 230, 231, 235, 236, 239, 243, 244, 245, 247, 249, 250, 253, 254, 255, 259, 261, 262, 263 and 267.

There was a very manifest desire on the part of those present to learn the work and lectures in the different degrees correctly, and they, no doubt, do so, if they have a reasonable amount of proper assistance.

The Board feel much encouraged by the marked degree of improvement which they are able to see manifested on the part of the brethren who are in the habit of attending the school from year to year. This, of course, affords them but very limited instruction, yet the benefits which they derive from it are very clearly manifest from year to year.

Schools have been held during the year at Virginia and Duluth. The Board also further desire to express their appreciation of the M. W. Grand Master's presence in the School for Instruction, and also for the presence of several of the Past Grand Masters. Most Worshipful Brothers, your presence we sincerely appreciate and we assure you that it was a matter of great encouragement to us.

All of which is most respectfully submitted.

W. B. PATTON,

Chairman.

J. H. SPROUT,

Secretary.

Bro. J. D. Markham (164) reported for the Committee on Appropriations in the matter of the Grand Secretary certifying to papers and the same was referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESIDUE OF ADDRESS.

To the M. W. Grand Lodge:

Your Committee to whom was referred the residue of the address of the M. W. Grand Master not otherwise referred, heartily endorse the same and recommend its approval.

We note with pleasure the reference to Schools of Instruction, of which two were held during the year, and respectfully recommend that Schools of Instruction be held more frequently during the coming year, to the end that the work in the Lodge room may reach the highest possible point of perfection.

We note with regret that the work of the District Deputy Grand Masters has not in all cases been entirely satisfactory.

If District Deputy Grand Masters would take the interest in their work which the importance of their office warrants, they would be of great assistance to the Grand Master and Grand Secretary as well as to the Fraternity within their respective jurisdictions. We therefore respectfully recommend that the districts recommend for appointment only those who will give to their work the time and attention necessary for its performance.

We further recommend that the Grand Master be directed to make no appointments upon the recommendation of the Lodges of the various districts unless he is satisfied with the qualifications and the amount of interest those recommended will take in their work.

We further recommend that District Deputy Grand Masters be instructed to visit all the Lodges within their respective jurisdictions at least once during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

W. R. WILSON,

J. H. BEEK,

GEO. E. SWIFT,

Committee.

Adopted.

The Grand Lodge, at 12 m., was called from labor to refreshment until 2 p. m.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

ST. PAUL, THURSDAY, Jan. 23, 1908.

The Grand Lodge was called from refreshment to labor at 2 p. m.

An election of Grand Officers was ordered and Bros. A. J. McDougall (37), M. O. Nelson (5), Hayden French (143), L. A. Hanes (26), were appointed as tellers.

The ballot resulted in the election of the following Grand Officers for the ensuing year:

M. W. William P. Roberts, Minneapolis.....Grand Master
 R. W. Bro. Eugene E. Swan, Stewart.....Deputy Grand Master
 R. W. Bro. William B. Patton, Duluth.....Senior Grand Warden
 R. W. Bro. Elmer A. Kling, Little Falls.....Junior Grand Warden
 R. W. Bro. David W. Knowlton, Minneapolis.....Grand Treasurer
 R. W. Bro. John Fishel, St. Paul.....Grand Secretary

On the announcement of the election of Bro. Roberts as Grand Master, the Past Grand Masters present retired by request of the Grand Master, and returned to the hall escorting the Grand Master elect, who was formally presented and received with the Grand Honors. Grand Master Widell then conducted Bro. Roberts to the East, who in well chosen words expressed his appreciation of the high honor conferred on him, and pledged his best efforts to promote the interests of our Grand Fraternity during the ensuing year.

While the ballots were being counted, the reports of several committees were read and acted on.

The Committee on Pay Roll submitted their report, and were authorized to pay the brethren entitled to mileage and per diem, as soon as the business of the Grand Lodge was completed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPEALS AND GRIEVANCES.

To the M. W. Grand Lodge:

Your Committee on Appeals and Grievances beg leave to report that no matters requiring the attention of this Grand Body have been presented to or called to the attention of your committee, and we take pleasure in congratulating the Craft of this Grand Jurisdiction upon the existence of conditions which make this report possible.

Respectfully submitted,

W. C. ODELL,
 F. W. LYON,
 ALEX. G. McKNIGHT,
 LUMEN LAND,
 THOS. L. ARMITAGE,

Adopted.

Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

To the M.:W.: Grand Lodge:

Your Committee on Unfinished Business beg leave to report that they have examined the files and find no unfinished business not already reported or in the hands of special committees.

Fraternally submitted,

F. D. WATERMAN,
AL. H. LEIMBACHER,

Committee.

Concurred in.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

To the M.:W.: Grand Lodge:

Your Committee on Finance have had under consideration the various matters presented to us and respectfully report as follows:

We have carefully checked over and examined all the books, accounts and vouchers of the Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary, together with the reports of those officers and the cash and securities in the hands of the Grand Treasurer, and find that the two reports agree in every instance.

The amount of cash on hand in General Fund Jan. 23, 1908,	
was	\$12,805.66
The amount received from all sources was.....	15,799.42
Total	\$28,605.08
The amount disbursed for all purposes was.....	14,692.22
Cash on hand in General Fund.....	\$13,912.86
Or \$1,107.20 more than last year at this date.	
In the Widows' and Orphans' Fund there is in cash.....	\$2,285.46
Bonds	51,000.00
Total	\$53,285.46
Total in both funds.....	\$67,198.32

We have carefully considered the report of the Auditing Committee and recommend that the suggestions and recommendations therein contained, relating to enforcement of existing regulations and the adoption of improved methods of book-keeping, be adopted.

We concur in the recommendation of the Auditing Committee that the books and papers belonging to the Grand Lodge be removed from the place where the same are now stored and recommend that the Grand Secretary be instructed to cause the same to be removed and stored in some fire-proof building.

We recommend that the matter of the property and effects of the late Fosston Lodge No. 206 be referred to the Grand Secretary with power to act.

We commend the ability and efficiency of the two principal financial officers and congratulate the Grand Lodge upon its splendid and increasing financial prosperity.

Fraternally submitted,

A. D. COUNTRYMAN,
MALCOLM McKAY,
O. L. DORNBERG,
C. L. BROWN,
FRANK J. MEYST,

Adopted.

Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ANCIENT LANDMARKS.

To the M. W. Grand Lodge:

Your Committee on Ancient Landmarks, to whom was referred that portion of the address of the M. W. Grand Master relating to the loss by fire of the charters of Dexter Lodge No. 253 and Hawley Lodge No. 256, respectfully recommend that the Grand Secretary issue duplicate charters to said Lodges without fee as recommended by the Grand Master.

Question: Is a man having one artificial eye, who is otherwise qualified, eligible to receive the Masonic degrees?

Answer: He is not, according to the Masonic Code, Section 243, page 219.

Fraternally submitted,

A. BRANDENBURG,
EDGAR NASH,
THOMAS MORRIS,

Adopted.

Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RETURNS.

To the M. W. Grand Lodge:

Your Committee on Returns beg leave to report as follows:

The returns from the following Lodges have no seal: Hennepin No. 4, Union No. 45, Watertown No. 50, Zion No. 55, Tuscan No. 77,

Princeton No. 92, Pickwick No. 110, Canby No. 147, Plainview No. 173, Fortitude No. 188, Crow River No. 192, Amboy No. 193, Frazee No. 241.

The following Lodges have overpaid as follows: Mantorville No. 11, \$1.20; Morning Star No. 29, 40c; Preston No. 36, \$1.40; Mystic Tie No. 37, \$2.40; Evergreen No. 46, 80c; Zion No. 55, \$1.20; Star in the West No. 60, \$2.80; Star No. 62, 40c; Princeton No. 92, \$2.80; Fraternity No. 101, 40c; Lebanon No. 102, 40c; Mt. Tabor No. 106, 80c; Ben Franklin No. 114, 80c; Janesville No. 124, \$1.20; Josephus No. 128, \$1.20; Nelson No. 135, \$3.00; Verndale No. 139, \$1.60; Frontier No. 152, \$4.00; Garnet No. 166, \$5.20; Agate No. 167, 60c; Fulda No. 170, 40c; Roman Eagle No. 175, 80c; Anchor No. 178, 40c; Shell No. 184, \$2.80; Ionic No. 186, \$2.00; Triune No. 190, \$2.00; Amboy No. 193, \$1.20; Canton No. 194, 10c; Geneva No. 196, \$1.20; Zenith No. 200, \$1.20; Kenyon No. 201, 80c; Atelier No. 202, 80c; St. Elmo No. 204, 80c; Wayzata No. 205, \$1.60; Columbian No. 210, \$1.60; Evansville No. 214, \$2.40; Magnolia No. 231, \$3.00; Chisago No. 232, \$2.40; Equality No. 238, \$1.20; Ruthton No. 242, \$1.20; Cass No. 243, \$7.00; Fides No. 246, 40c; Barto No. 249, 40c; McKinley No. 251, \$1.60; Dexter No. 253, \$2.00; Mesaba No. 255, 20c; Onyx No. 266, \$2.00—a total of \$72.10.

The following Lodges owe as follows:

Faribault No. 9, 40c; Harmony No. 43, \$1.00; Currie No. 142, 40c; Tracy No. 155, \$1.20; Osakis No. 180, 80c; Olivia No. 220, 80c; Park Region No. 227, 40c.

Caledonia No. 20, Union No. 45, Tuscan No. 77 and Amboy No. 193, not signed by Worshipful Master. Elysian No. 222, not signed by Secretary. Olivia No. 220 and Park Region No. 227 do not show names of members withdrawn.

The following Lodges pay the sums noted for degrees conferred in previous years: Red Wing No. 8, \$2.00; Western Star No. 26, \$3.00; Meridian No. 56, \$1.00; Keystone No. 94, \$3.00; Lebanon No. 102, \$1.00; Delta No. 119, \$1.00; Nelson No. 135, \$1.00; Sincerity No. 161, \$1.00; Roman Eagle No. 175, \$2.00.

Many Secretaries fail to fill in names of those initiated and passed in previous years, in red ink, as required by printed instructions on blanks, thereby causing much trouble and annoyance to the Grand Secretary as well as the committee.

Many returns were late in reaching the Grand Secretary's office, some coming in as late as January 21st.

In some two or three instances it became necessary for the Grand Secretary to telegraph for the returns in order that he might have them in shape for the Grand Lodge.

The committee calls especial attention to Section 280 of the Grand Lodge Regulations, reading as follows:

"It shall be the duty of each Lodge to forward to the Grand Secretary, on or before the second day of January, the returns and dues of said Lodge for the year preceding, and if any Lodge fails to do so, its representative shall not receive per diem or mileage for attending the following Annual Communication."

The following is a list of Lodges whose returns reached the Grand Secretary's office after January 2d.

St. Paul No. 3, Jan. 8.	Libanus No. 96, Jan. 6.
Ancient Landmark No. 5, Jan. 3.	Mt. Tabor No. 106, Jan. 6.
Monticello No. 16, Jan. 8.	Khurum No. 112, Jan. 13.
Minneapolis No. 19, Jan. 6.	Elgin No. 115, Jan. 3.
Caledonia No. 20, Jan. 4.	Granite No. 117, Jan. 6.
Pleasant Grove No. 22, Jan. 6.	Kellogg No. 122, Jan. 8.
Western Star No. 26, Jan. 16.	Winslow Lewis No. 125, Jan. 3.
Star in the East No. 33, Jan. 3.	Alam No. 131, Jan. 6.
Preston No. 36, Jan. 3.	Appleton No. 137, Jan. 3.
Mystic Tie No. 37, Jan. 3.	Lakeview No. 143, Jan. 3.
Fidelity No. 39, Jan. 4.	Canby No. 147, Jan. 8.
King Solomon No. 44, Jan. 8.	Wadena No. 156, Jan. 6.
Union No. 45, Jan. 10.	Summit No. 163, Jan. 3.
Rising Sun No. 49, Jan. 6.	Marietta No. 172, Jan. 8.
Watertown No. 50, Jan. 6.	Roman Eagle No. 175, Jan. 6.
Nicollet No. 54, Jan. 14.	Fairhaven No. 182, Jan. 4.
Blue Earth No. 57, Jan. 3.	Midway No. 185, Jan. 8.
Ashler No. 61, Jan. 17.	Fortitude No. 188, Jan. 3.
Chain Lake No. 64, Jan. 4.	Euclid No. 198, Jan. 4.
Paynesville No. 71, Jan. 3.	Zenith No. 200, Jan. 3.
Lansing No. 72, Jan. 8.	St. Elmo No. 204, Jan. 8.
Eureka No. 75, Jan. 3.	Columbian No. 210, Jan. 8.
Joppa No. 76, Jan. 15.	Evansville, No. 214, Jan. 6.
Tuscan No. 77, Jan. 20.	Elysian No. 222, Jan. 6.
Mystic Circle No. 78, Jan. 17.	Minnesota, No. 224, Jan. 3.
Henderson No. 80, Jan. 13.	Park Region No. 227, Jan. 6.
Constellation No. 81, Jan. 3.	Bemidji No. 233, Jan. 4.
High Forest No. 85, Jan. 3.	Coteau No. 244, Jan. 3.
Antiquity No. 91, Jan. 17.	McKinley No. 251, Jan. 3.
Unity No. 93, Jan. 8.	Dexter No. 253, Jan. 4.
Aurora No. 100, Jan. 3.	Fellowship No. 257, Jan. 8.
Pickwick No. 110, Jan. 6.	Montgomery No. 258, Jan. 9.
Ben Franklin No. 114, Jan. 10.	Onyx No. 266, Jan. 21.

La Fayette No. 116, Jan. 4.	Amboy No. 193, Jan. 13.
Grand Meadow No. 121, Jan. 6.	Murray No. 199, Jan. 8.
Prairie No. 123, Jan. 11.	Kenyon No. 201, Jan. 8.
Swift No. 129, Jan. 4.	Wayzata No. 205, Jan. 4.
Verndale No. 139, Jan. 9.	Mystic No. 213, Jan. 6.
Currie No. 142, Jan. 3.	Argyle No. 215, Jan. 3.
Quarry No. 148, Jan. 4.	Mora No. 223, Jan. 15.
Frontier No. 152, Jan. 8.	Lincoln No. 226, Jan. 8.
Perham No. 157, Jan. 3.	Vernon Center No. 228, Jan. 18.
Garnet No. 166, Jan. 11.	Astra No. 240, Jan. 18.
Shekinah No. 171, Jan. 6.	Lakefield No. 250, Jan. 15.
Plumb Line No. 173, Jan. 8.	Morton No. 252, Jan. 14.
Anchor No. 178, Jan. 3.	Lake Park No. 254, Jan. 3.
Shell No. 184, Jan. 13.	Hawley No. 256, Jan. 3.
Orient No. 84, Jan. 3.	Compass No. 265, Jan. 3.
Good Faith No. 90, Jan. 8.	Warroad No. 267, Jan. 3.
Fraternal No. 92, Jan. 3.	

Of these 58 were received on and after the 6th, and 22 on and after the 10th. While we do not care at this time to make any specific recommendations, it occurs to the committee that enforcement of Section 280 of the Grand Lodge Regulations, might have a salutary effect, and relieve the Grand Secretary of a great deal of trouble and extra work imposed upon him by the neglect and carelessness of local Secretaries for which there seems to be no possible excuse.

The foregoing report shows the returns more incomplete than for several years past, and in some instances the committee was compelled to refer back several years in order to trace the error. If this Grand Lodge desires a thorough and complete report from its Committee on Returns, more time should be allowed it in which to do the work. It is the opinion of the committee that a thorough examination should be made of all returns, extending as far back as may be necessary in order that possible errors may be corrected.

To do this work, more time would be required than is allotted to the committee under the present arrangement.

The committee is under many obligations to the Grand Secretary for the valuable assistance received from him and desires to commend him for the most excellent manner in which he conducts the affairs of his office, and we wish to extend to him our sincere thanks.

Fraternally submitted,

J. T. JOHNSON,
O. C. HANSON,
C. M. JOHNSON,

Adopted.

Committee.

Bro. A. D. Countryman (137) moved that the rule imposing a penalty for late returns be remitted for this session, but enforced hereafter.

Bro. Wm. P. Roberts (4) moved to amend to refer to the Committee on Appropriations with a recommendation for a favorable report. Carried.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON JURISPRUDENCE.

To the M. W. Grand Lodge of Minnesota Now in Session:

Your Committee on Jurisprudence to whom was referred decisions, dispensations and recommendations contained in and referred to by the Grand Master's address fraternally report:

1. That the decisions and dispensations are in conformity with masonic usages and law, and we recommend that the same be confirmed.
2. That Section 352, page 228, of the Masonic Code relating to fees for services to be paid to the Grand Secretary be and the same is hereby repealed.
3. That the recommendation relating to printing an appendix to the Code rest in abeyance until the relations of the Grand Lodge to the Code as to the copyright be definitely established.
4. As to the question of jurisdiction raised between Hawley Lodge No. 256 and Moorhead Lodge No. 126, your committee finds upon examination of the records submitted that an issue of fact exists between the parties named for money claimed, which issue should be determined in the courts before charges can be preferred in the Lodge. No subordinate Lodge should entertain charges between brethren involving mutual demands.
5. In the matter of former members of Fosston Lodge No. 206 (now defunct), we recommend that amount of arrearages be fixed at \$10.00 each, to be paid the Grand Secretary who will issue certificates of members being clear of the books.

Fraternally submitted,

H. R. WELLS,
H. R. DENNY,
W. A. MCGONAGLE,
H. M. TUSLER,
A. T. STEBBINS,

Committee.

Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS.

To the M. W. Grand Lodge:

Your Committee on Appropriations recommend that the following sums be appropriated from the General Fund of the Grand Lodge for the following purposes:

Grand Master Gustaf Widell, expenses past year.....	\$300.00
Grand Secretary, salary for 1908.....	1,400.00
Grand Secretary, two assistants this session.....	30.00
Grand Secretary, contingent expenses for the year 1908, payable the first of each month for the preceding month's expenses, upon proper voucher, not exceeding the sum of (or so much thereof as may be necessary).....	300.00
Grand Secretary, office rent.....	360.00
Grand Tyler John H. Ludwig, this session.....	25.00
Assistant Grand Tylers Jas. M. Robertson and Anton Hoska	20.00
Printing for the year 1908 (or so much thereof as may be necessary)	600.00
Board of Custodians (or so much thereof as may be necessary)	400.00
Chairman Committee on Correspondence.....	100.00
Bond of Grand Treasurer.....	30.00
Bond of Grand Secretary.....	15.00
Salary of Grand Treasurer.....	200.00
Fire insurance premium.....	85.00
Pay-roll for 1908 (or so much thereof as may be necessary)	3,000.00
Bro. J. J. Buckhout, care Grand Lodge rooms and expenses	50.00
Binding proceedings and periodicals.....	100.00
Telephone rent for private line, Grand Secretary's office 1908 (or so much thereof as may be necessary).....	90.00
Brothers H. M. Tusler, James Ridler and Geo. F. Dix, special auditing committee, auditing accounts and making inventory of effects in Grand Secretary's office.....	100.00
Printing report blanks in book form, Annual Reports of Lodges, as recommended by special committee.....	50.00

Amounts to be paid to the following Lodges for relief:

Dakota, No. 7, Bro. George Egbert.....	100.00
Red Wing, No. 8, Bro. John Richter.....	100.00
Red Wing, No. 8, Bro. Stewart Hazlett.....	100.00
Mankato, No. 12, widow of Bro. Sidney S. Rardon.....	50.00

Western Star, No. 26, widow of Bro. Sidney Partridge....	\$100.00
Sakatah, No. 32, Bro. Joseph Batlik.....	100.00
Preston, No. 36, Bro. John Benedict and wife.....	200.00
Star, No. 62, Bro. Wm. H. Frazee.....	100.00
Illustrious, No. 63, Bro. Augustus Smith and wife.....	150.00
Illustrious, No. 63, Bro. Andrew Nelson.....	100.00
Antiquity, No. 91, widow of Bro. David Watson.....	50.00
Antiquity, No. 91, widow of Bro. D. Welch.....	50.00
Sherburne, No. 95, Mrs. P. O. Hawes, widow.....	150.00
Relief Lodge, No. 108, Bro. J. E. Getman and wife.....	150.00
Orion, No. 138, Bro. L. B. Woolsen.....	100.00
Tracy, No. 155, Bro. Myron O. Gibbs.....	50.00
Amboy, No. 193, Bro. N. W. Sargent.....	100.00

We further recommend the payment by the Grand Treasurer of the following amounts, to the following named persons:

Alice P. Goodrich, widow of P. D. G. M. Aaron Goodrich, in equal monthly payments.....	240.00
R. W. Bro. Albert Marden, New Ulm, in quarterly payments	100.00

We further recommend that the sum of \$5,000.00 be transferred from the General Fund to the Widows' and Orphans' Fund.

We further recommend that duplicate charters be issued to Dexter Lodge No. 253 and Hawley Lodge No. 256 without fee, originals having been destroyed by fire, and we further recommend that the fees and dues paid by said Lodges to this M. W. Grand Lodge at this session be remitted.

We further recommend in accordance with the recommendation of the M. W. Grand Master, that the sum of \$50.00 be appropriated for the purchase of suitable Deacons' rods and vessels for use at the laying of corner stones and that the same be purchased by the incoming M. W. Grand Master.

Your committee to whom was referred a resolution for a permanent appropriation for the printing of the proceedings of the Minnesota Masonic Veteran Association, recognizing its importance and the value of its service and considering the same as the preserver of the historical data of Masonry in Minnesota, respectfully recommend its adoption and a permanent annual appropriation of \$100.

Your committee having had referred to it that portion of the report of P. G. M. G. S. Ives, president of the Masonic Home, referring to page 44 of the proceedings of the M. W. Grand Lodge of 1907, recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, John Schaefer, late a member of Khurum Lodge No. 112, and a citizen of Hennepin County, by his last will and testament in writing, which has been duly proved as such will, by the Probate Court of said county, gave, devised and bequeathed all the rest and residue of his estate, except two bequests, amounting to \$600, to this Grand Lodge, to be used by it, in building, equipping and maintaining a Masonic Home in Minnesota, and

WHEREAS, This Grand Lodge has voted and decided not to build such Masonic Home itself, but has directed the incorporation of such project outside of the Grand Lodge, and such incorporation has now been perfected, as by this Grand Lodge directed.

Resolved, That when the amount given it by said will, has been paid to the Grand Lodge, the same shall be at once paid over to the Minnesota Masonic Home, a corporation, and the proper officers of the Grand Lodge are hereby directed to draw and pay a warrant for that purpose.

Your committee having had the following resolution referred to it, recommend its adoption:

Resolved, That the penalty inflicted on Lodges delinquent in sending in returns be remitted for this year, but this not to be taken as a precedent.

Respectfully submitted,

J. D. MARKHAM,
F. G. WARNER,
WM. F. JEWSON,

Committee.

Adopted.

Bro. A. D. Countryman (137) introduced the following resolution which was adopted:

Resolved, That Section 280 of the Masonic Code of Minnesota be amended to read as follows:

It shall be the duty of each Lodge to forward to the Grand Secretary, on or before the sixth day of January, the returns and dues of said Lodge for the year preceding, and if any Lodge fails to do so, its representative shall not receive per diem or mileage for attending the following Annual Communication.

Bro. Wm. P. Roberts addressed the Grand Lodge and moved that the Grand Master be empowered to employ an

expert accountant to audit the books of the Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary annually. Carried.

Bro. J. H. Sprout reported verbally that the Committee on Visitors found nothing to do.

APPOINTED OFFICERS.

The Grand Master elect named the following brethren as the appointed officers:

W. Bro. William C. Odell, Chaska.....	Grand Orator
W. Bro. George E. Satterlee, St. Paul.....	Grand Chaplain
W. Bro. Owen Morris, St. Paul.....	Senior Grand Deacon
W. Bro. Leslie A. Hanes, Albert Lea.....	Junior Grand Deacon
W. Bro. Robert E. Denfeld, Duluth.....	Grand Marshal
W. Bro. William A. Hawkins, Marshall.....	Grand Standard Bearer
W. Bro. Elbert W. Rossman, Chatfield.....	Grand Sword Bearer
W. Bro. Frank J. Meyst, Minneapolis.....	Senior Grand Warden
W. Bro. Geo. D. La Bar, Brainerd.....	Junior Grand Steward
W. Bro. Russell Spicer, Willmar.....	Grand Pursuivant
W. Bro. John H. Ludwig, Merriam Park.....	Grand Tyler

Past Grand Master Morris, assisted by Past Grand Master Tusler as Grand Marshal, then installed the Grand Officers elected and appointed, except Junior Grand Steward and Grand Pursuivant, who were absent, and who he directed should be installed in their respective Lodges.

The usual vote of thanks was tendered the St. Paul Masonic Union for the free use of the rooms occupied by Grand Lodge.

The Grand Master announced the following appointments:

Committee on Correspondence—Bros. Irving Todd (7), John Fishel (190), A. O. Eberhart (12).

Committee on Returns—Bros. J. T. Johnson (99), Ole C. Hanson (133), C. M. Johnson (164).

He also appointed Bro. John Cox (186) as Custodian for the term of five years.

No further business appearing, the Grand Lodge was closed in AMPLE FORM at 6 p. m., peace and harmony prevailing.



WILLIAM P. ROBERTS.

Grand Master.

ATTEST:

John Finkel

Grand Secretary.

(APPENDIX A.)

ORATION.

THE DUTIES OF A MASON.

BY A. O. EBERHART.

Most Worshipful Grand Master and Brethren:

"Duty is the greatest of ideas, because it implies the idea of God, of the soul, of liberty, of responsibility, of immortality."

On the 26th day of February, 1898,—although nearly ten years ago, the event comes to my mind as if it had occurred but yesterday—I stood before the altar of Masonry and received my first instructions in the exalting principles of our order. The first impressions formed upon my mind, heart and soul, were such as never can be forgotten. From the very moment that the key to the treasures of the Infinite was turned with these words, "grant that this candidate may dedicate and devote his life to the service of God and humanity, and that, through the principles of our order, he may be better enabled to display the beauties of brotherly love, relief and truth," to the closing of the charge, the ceremonies, instructions, and lectures had left such a profound impression as to be almost overwhelming. Behind me lay the scenes of a strenuous, though rather uneventful school career, and before me had just opened up a new field of activity, a life full of important duties and responsibilities, the neglect of which no future joy or happiness, however complete, could recompense. To me at that moment duty seemed coextensive with service, and happiness identical with duty well done, and when, during the course of the ceremony, I solemnly resolved to devote the best endeavors of my life in the discharge of these responsibilities, I became conscious of a new power, a new courage, such as I had never before realized, and I could feel that, "when the soul resolves to perform every duty, immediately it is conscious of the presence of God."

Very frequently, since that time, it has been my privilege, as well as yours, to deliver the charge of the first degree, or to listen to its reading, but the instructions contained therein are of such importance

as to warrant my repeating such portions as relate to the subject under consideration:

"There are three great duties, which, as a Mason, you are charged to inculcate—to God, your neighbor, and yourself. To God, in never mentioning His name, but with that reverential awe, which is due from a creature to his Creator, to implore His aid in all laudable undertakings, and to esteem Him as the chief good; to your neighbor, in acting upon the square, and doing unto him as you wish he should do unto you; and to yourself in avoiding all irregularity and intemperance which may impair your faculties or debase the dignity of your profession."

Ever since the chorus of heavenly voices proclaimed to the shepherds of Bethlehem their "glory to God, peace on earth, and good will towards men," and the Son of Man entered upon His career to ennoble the individual and eliminate class distinction, religion and fraternalism have marched hand in hand to conquer ignorance and superstition, to suppress hatred and jealousy, to relieve pain and suffering, to open the hearts of estranged brothers and sisters, to clasp in comradeship the hands of hostile foes, to "spread the cement of brotherly love and affection," and to unite humanity by indissoluble bonds of love as "living stones for that spiritual building, that house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens."

While our duty to God includes the "mention of His name with that reverential awe, due from a creature to his Creator, and the esteem of Him as the chief good," it does not imply, as was formerly supposed, that we should hold in contempt, or ever refuse to enjoy, the good things of this world. Our life is the gift of God, and the truest religion consists in such enjoyment of that gift as results in the purest happiness for ourselves, the greatest good to our fellow men, and the establishment of the highest ideal of civic righteousness in our government. It is interesting to note the gradual change that has taken place with reference to the relations between the dutiful Christian and the enjoyments commonly known as pertaining to the world. The Puritan did not enjoy life at all, he rather endured it. He believed that worldly pleasure, no matter how innocent, was just another and a far more dangerous form of sin. It is said that the only musical instrument he would tolerate was the tuning-fork, and he would go to church and worship with contempt and scorn in his heart for everything pertaining to worldly enjoyment, and go back to his home without a smile for anyone. Yet he was the truest Christian of his time, because he believed that his religious duty consisted in such a solemn reverence of the Almighty Creator and Preserver as was absolutely incompatible with the consideration of any worldly good. In heaven were all his treasures, and everything pertaining to the world, its pleasures and en-

joyments was renounced by the stern Puritan. In all this he was the child of his time, and there is no one who would be so regardless of sincere devotion as to place the least stain on the glory of a character so splendid as that founded on the Puritan sincerity and courage of convictions, but

"New occasions teach new duties,
Time makes ancient good uncouth.
They must upward still and onwards,
Who would keep abreast with Truth."

Religion cannot be explained as a science, nor practiced as an art, because it is purely a duty to God. The idea, formerly so prevalent, that it is necessary to retire in solitude from the mirth and cheerfulness of life on earth in order to properly contemplate and prepare for the life hereafter, is an insult to religion itself. To esteem the Supreme Ruler of the Universe as the chief good, does not in any way conflict with the proper enjoyment of all good earthly things. In fact, true religion purifies and sweetens the delights and comforts of life, and not only admits of all true pleasures, but assists in securing them. It fills the human heart with joy and cheerfulness, and by its hope of immortality inspires right living and well-doing, so that, instead of merely contemplating a heaven in the great beyond, it brings this abode of the dutiful Christian nearer and nearer to earth.

The Bible is the "rule and guide of faith," life itself is the exemplification, and Masonry, as a "progressive science," increases our duties and obligations as we advance. We cannot, therefore, be at a standstill with reference to our duty to God any more than life itself can be at a standstill. There must be either advancement or retrogression. A true veneration of the Almighty and obedience to His precepts cannot exist without progressive right living and well-doing. The great principles of brotherly love, relief and truth, as taught in Masonry, cannot dwell in the heart and mind of anyone who does not strive for more perfection in the achievement of duty; who does not in his daily life endeavor to carry out a stricter observance of the four great cardinal virtues, temperance, fortitude, prudence and justice; who does not, as a citizen and member of the community, seek the highest degree of uprightness, honesty and integrity; and who does not attempt to follow more and more closely the path of Him who was Truth itself, who devoted His life to the relief of humanity, and offered Himself up as the greatest sacrifice for brotherly love.

While it is true, that the observance of this duty includes attendance at divine worship as well as the support of religious and charitable institutions, it is not necessarily a public one. The most beautiful and fragrant flowers of Paradise have been picked by the penitent trans-

gressor, as he timidly sought his way through the dark valley of despair to the fountain of grace. No sacrifice is acceptable to Deity, unless it is offered upon the altar of Faith in the temple of the human heart, and in that sacred abode no mortal being is permitted to behold the beautiful ceremony when Duty kindles her purest sacrifice with the fire of Love, and the sweet fragrance of Devotion ascends higher and higher until it reaches the Throne of Heaven as a message of filial obedience to the will of an Almighty Father.

Retracing the steps of civilization, we find no period in the history of any age or nation when religious principles received more general recognition, when the social, commercial, or political standing of a true Christian was better, and when the name of God was held in greater reverence than to-day. The historian cannot read his record of events intelligently without seeing the name of an Omnipotent Providence at the bottom of every page; the inventor cannot pursue his discoveries without observing the inflexible laws of nature, and the scientist cannot make his investigations without finding a Supreme Intelligence in the stupendous movements of the heavenly bodies and in the composition of all elements of nature as well as in their relations to life. Every year, as it passes by us into eternity, proclaims that there is a living God, and if we could hear the voices of a thousand generations calling to us from "that undiscovered country," the heavens would echo and reëcho an everlasting testimony to the living and perfect Jehovah.

In the early hours of Christmas morning I have stood outside a church and observed the lighting of a thousand candles, and, as they shone through the stained windows; how they transformed the somber edifice into a brilliant temple, and the effect was certainly inspiring; in the shadow of evening I have seen a hundred thousand electric lights leap into existence in a second, and transform a dismal park with its buildings and surroundings into a scene of indescribable resplendency, and the effect was magnificent; but vastly grander is the light of the Supreme Intelligence as it reveals itself in the life-inspiring rays of the sun, to quicken and nourish every living object, filling heaven and earth and all nature with an endless chain of matchless transfigurations, and more sublime than all, is the splendor of this divine light when, in the last moments of life on earth, it illumines the shattered and pallid features of a departing brother, reflecting the peaceful glory of a well-spent life, as it separates itself from the lifeless form to shine in the realm of everlasting day.

Our second duty is to our neighbor, and enjoins us to "act upon the square, and do unto him as we wish he should do unto us." This is life's golden rule of brotherly love. When we stop to consider that time is merely the beginning of eternity, and that life is merely the beginning of immortality, we are struck with the importance and

earnestness of our existence. Life is service, and we must serve, not only God, but our neighbor and our country. Service, however, does not necessarily mean great sacrifices, it includes rather such ordinary acts of kindness and mercy as bring happiness and cheer to a brother in distress. These kindly acts may be ever so insignificant, but they are seeds of thoughtfulness and attention, that will ripen into friendship and love. If benevolence and charity could be measured in dollars and cents, brotherhood would be impossible. Not wealth or luxury, but the little tokens of kindness scattered along the pathway of an unfortunate fellow being, and the sympathy and love poured into his aching heart, will lighten his burdens and heal the wounds of sorrow and affliction, forming another link in that chain of neighborhood friendships so essential to every thriving and happy community.

Ours is a life consecrated to the uplifting of the human race, and none of us can afford to stand idle. Have you seen the curtain raised on a spectacle of suffering and misery in our large centers of population? Have you seen the poor, ragged and feeble mother, neglected by a worthless husband, too proud to seek charity, as she contemplates the condition of the sick child in her arms, her middle-aged children roaming wild on the streets, and her oldest son following the example of a wayward father? Have you ever seen her as she raised her pale and tear-stained countenance in supplication to Him whose heart is always touched by the tears of the sorrowing, praying with the earnestness of despair and the eloquence of hope that the merry laugh of her babe, the promising light of intelligence, so often reflected in the faces of her neglected children, and the manhood of a dissolute husband, might be restored, so that her home once more might become a haven of comfort, harmony and love, where even angels might delight to find a resting place? If so, you have seen God's ministering angel in her noblest sphere; your heart has been touched with mingled pity and admiration until the unbidden tears came trickling down your cheeks; you have experienced the thrilling delight coming into your life as you came to her rescue and assisted in saving her family from sickness and disgrace; and you have rejoiced as her mind, darkened by clouds of anxiety, felt the splendors of a new illumination, when her heart felt the throbbing pulsations of a new blood, and her whole being was filled with the breath of a new life. And when you have seen this tragedy of affection and misery for the sake of those little ones, dependent for their existence on a mother's love, do not delay your charity until the "grim messenger" with his scythe is ready to "cut those brittle threads of life," but hasten to their relief, that you may be an instrument in the hands of Divine Providence of saving a family from ruin, of restoring a happy home, and of enabling some degenerate sons and daughters of freedom to wear crowns of American

citizenship, adorned with the beautiful gems of a mother's patience, kindness, gentleness and virtue.

No lives on earth can be nobler than those spent for the uplifting and betterment of mankind. For them there is no death. Could that radiant glow of joy and happiness, which they have poured into the dark and desolate homes of the distressed, be reflected upon their death-bed, we could see them pass from this life to that of the realms above in a halo of heavenly glory. The voices that throughout such a noble life have been whispering words of cheer and encouragement to the sorrowful may be silent, the hands that patiently and mercifully have administered to the weak and suffering may be folded in the embrace of death, but life itself and the memory of their deeds will live forever.

"These shall resist the Empire of decay,
When time is o'er and worlds have passed away.
Cold in the dust the perished heart may lie,
But that which warmed it once can never die."

Let us hope that our civilization, inspired by principles of eternal right and justice, by faith in God and humanity, shall prosper and firmly secure the sacredness of our homes, the dignity of our schools, and the sanctity of our churches, and multiply charitable institutions, until ignorance, superstition and infidelity have vanished, and until all who are suffering and in distress shall see the quickening sun of Hope, and, beholding it, have their burdens, like their shadows, cast behind. This is the purpose of Masonry and the object of masonic benevolence. It is such a reciprocal interchange of love and gratitude as makes our departed happy in death and our living happy in life. It is the wealth, honor and defense of every masonic institution. The glittering gold of selfish greed and vainglory is but a vanishing splendor, soon destined to be swept away by the breakers of Time into the sea of Oblivion, but the tender, sympathetic and loving deeds performed for the betterment of humanity will live forever, and shine with undiminished luster as stars of the first magnitude in that galaxy which illumines the Heavenly Throne.

As a part of the duty to our neighbor, we are charged that "in the state we are to be quiet and peaceful subjects, true to our government and just to our country." Private virtue is the foundation of public virtue, and he who does not love his fellow man, cannot love his country. The same principles that attach us to our dearest friend should prompt a patriotic devotion to our country. Not our immense resources or enormous industrial development, for these are but transitory, but the beauties of nature and art, the responsibilities of citizenship, our educational and philanthropic institutions, our intellectual superiority,

our civic virtue and just laws, the enforcement of equal rights to all and special privileges to none, the integrity of public and private character, our pure homes and earnest religion—these constitute the greatness of our country and the immortal glory of our civilization. No country is more beautiful than ours. We may lift our eyes to the loveliest heaven, and around us smiles the fairest land in all creation, extending from the rising of the sun to its evening abode, from its palace of noontide glory to the aurora borealis. We are joint owners and rulers of a country larger than kingdoms and empires, the mightiest commonwealth within the realms of human jurisdiction, and we are sharing in and protected by a government as perfect as was ever established by human ingenuity. Here is the place where our loved ones lie sleeping beneath the sod; here we first listened to the admonitions of virtue, honesty and integrity, imparted to us by a loving mother; here the chosen of our heart blushingly whispered the first words of love; here our homes have been blessed and sanctified with children, whose great heritage is the same as ours; here are more than eighty millions of industrious, prosperous and liberty-loving people, exerting an influence envied by every great nation of the world; and here the voices of the rich mingle with those of the poor in worshipping the God of all nations according to the dictates of conscience, and every prayer offered to Him springs from the heart of a free being. No country in the world has been more richly endowed, and none can have a greater destiny.

Finally, we owe the important duty to ourselves, "to avoid all irregularity and intemperance which may impair our faculties or debase the dignity or our profession." In other words, it is our duty to acquire and maintain a good character, good health and a good education, the three great priceless possessions in life as well as the most valuable bequests to posterity. But we must not confuse character with reputation. Reputation is what the sculptor carves on our monument, character is what God writes in the Book of Life. Character is the summary of our thoughts, words and deeds, not as interpreted by human friends or foes, but as perceived by the "All-seeing Eye that pervades the innermost recesses of the human heart." Character is a daily carving-out of our ideals from the substance of time for the hall of fame in the realms of eternity. No one is so poor and none so rich that he can afford to be without a good character. It cannot be bought or sold, but must be acquired through constant personal exertion. Temperance must "restrain our affections and passions," fortitude inspire a "steady purpose of mind," prudence "regulate our lives and actions agreeably to reason," and justice point out that "standard of right which enables us to render to every man his just due without distinction." A good character is an investment in honor and virtue, not

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for time only, but for all eternity. It is the first essential of citizenship, the foundation of every stable government, the key to success, and a synonym for happiness. But in order to make that investment yield the greatest benefits, we must have for our support good health, and for our constant guide a good education.

Intelligence and character are the greatest factors of modern civilization, and hand in hand with faith they must proceed to suppress ignorance and superstition, prejudice and nationality, intemperance and vice, corruption and crime, wherever they may be found in our social and political fabric, not like Alexander stopping at the sea, but ever onward, diffusing the sunlight of hope and liberty, until it shall illumine the remotest corners of the earth, and until all mankind shall enjoy the blessings of right and freedom, and through undying ages, when empires have crumbled and diadems faded, be united in one great brotherhood with equal opportunities for all.

We are charged with these important duties not merely because by observing them we benefit others, but because they are essential for our own welfare. Our life on earth is in the highest sense a preparation for eternity. We know not how we shall be translated from this earthly habitation to the "celestial lodge above," we know not the way across the valley of death to "that undiscovered country from whose bourne no traveler returns," but we do know that our souls are immortal, that whatever there may be in us that thinks, hopes and believes, is part of the Infinite and shall live beyond the grave. No proofs of reason are requisite, because we are conscious of it through our moral and spiritual nature. It is, therefore, our duty to live in such intercourse with God and man that, when the "messenger of death" closes our eyelids in sleep, while we may not catch the sweet strains of music as our friends are chanting their affectionate farewell, nor hear their tender words of eulogy, nor feel the sweet fragrance of the loveliest flowers strewn on our bier, our souls will be carried by angels of peace to dwell throughout eternity in the land of everlasting life, where the fragrance of love shall fill the bowers of Paradise, and the rapturous strains of harmony emanating from the Throne shall sound the praises of the Great Jehovah forever.

As we meet here year after year, it recalls to our minds so many of our departed brothers. Ever faithful to their trust, they have gone to their reward. May they have the satisfaction of knowing that the great principles of brotherly love, relief and truth, in the interest of which they devoted their lives, have become ineradicably fixed in the mind of every living brother, and that the sacred memory of their deeds constitute the dearest treasure of our hearts. Heaven forbid that we should think of them as dead! True to our principles, they

live forever. Yes, it seems to me that I can see their columns moving steadily onward and onward before us; that I can hear their earnest and enthusiastic voices join with ours in songs of triumph to the Lord of Hosts, and that our joint concords are rising higher and higher in one solemn symphony until they touch the Heavens, bearing upon their ever expanding waves of harmony the praises of Him who occupies the Heavenly Throne and so wisely guides the destinies of man, and are bringing before His altar our love-offerings, consecrated by noble character and deeds of unselfish love.

To-day we are passing another milestone in our journey of life. Many new friends are greeting us, while others, whose faces have become so familiar and whose friendship we cherish in our hearts, are missing. If, perchance, it should never be our privilege to meet here again, let us hope that not one unworthy act may shadow our memory, and, as we pass through the gates of the Celestial City and stand in the presence of the Almighty, may it then be our fortune to find that the Recording Angel has written opposite our names in the Book of Life these words, *DUTY WELL DONE.*

APPENDIX B.

**REPORT OF THE MINNESOTA MASONIC
HOME CORPORATION.**

To the M. W. Grand Lodge:

In accordance with the By-laws of the Minnesota Masonic Home, the following report of the transactions of said association for the past year is herewith submitted:

The second year of this organization started out auspiciously, and paid subscriptions aggregating the sum of \$2,500 received; owing to delays, however, in securing proper designs for a certificate of membership, it was considered best not to urge action by the Lodges (especially during the summer months), until this could be procured. During the autumn and early winter the financial situation was such that it was not deemed prudent or proper to attempt any work along this line; and if the policy of the present Board is followed by the new one, no attempt will be made to push matters until better conditions prevail.

In fact, it is not the design of those actively engaged in carrying out this enterprise to make it at any time either a burden upon the Fraternity or the cause of any serious controversy in any of the Lodges.

The plan of first securing the sum of one hundred thousand dollars before building the Home, at least fifty thousand dollars of which should be set apart as a permanent fund, was for the express purpose of preventing any indebtedness or liability, and avoiding the imposition of a burden that the Lodges might not care to assume.

And to this end the certificate of incorporation of this society provides for securing the required amount through voluntary contributions by Lodges and members.

While it is conceded that this policy of delay and inaction under certain conditions may possibly prolong the time in which such funds could be raised, yet it is considered that the end in view will be better subserved by making this subscription a popular one, and first interesting the brethren in the objects of the undertaking, than by endangering the cause by the use of such methods as are sometimes employed in enterprises of this character.

In this connection it seems proper to add, that there is good cause to believe that the financial clouds that have "lowered" over the country for the past few months, will soon be dissipated, and that a year of unusual financial activity is before us. In fact, we have so many elements of prosperity in Minnesota that any continued depression here seems impossible.

If this prediction should be fulfilled, we know of no better time than on the inward flow of this tide of prosperity for the Lodges to take up and decide the important question of what they are willing to do to advance the cause of a Masonic Home in Minnesota.

To this end we earnestly request each member of this Grand Lodge to consider himself a committee of one to present this question to the Lodge of which he is a member at such time during the coming year as he may think proper, and ask for such contribution as the Lodge may be able to give.

The Board of Trustees will be very glad to assist in any work of this character, and on application of the President or Secretary of the Home Board, a representative will be sent, when practicable, to explain and discuss the objects and designs of this organization.

In addition to the amount actually received during the year, several Lodges and organizations have either set aside amounts for the purposes of this proposed Home, or agreed to pay certain amounts in the future, but as these amounts have not been actually received they cannot be accounted for at this time.

The Order of the Eastern Star has also a fund on hand of something over six thousand dollars, raised and set apart for the purpose of a Home, but this sum is held by that organization until such time as it may be needed to make up the amount we are required to raise before the construction of the Home.

We also understand that the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Minnesota are taking measures for the erection of a hospital in connection with the Home when we are ready to locate and build.

Of the funds in the hands of the Treasurer of this organization, \$3,000 has already been invested in first-class mortgages, and interest thereon to the amount of \$158.74 has been received during the past year.

It is the policy of the Board to invest all funds as soon as practicable after receiving the same in this class of securities and at the best possible rate of interest, hence it is desirable that all sums pledged may be turned over to our Treasurer at the earliest possible moment, to the end that an income therefrom may at once be secured.

In this connection we desire to reiterate the statement made at the time of the organization of this movement, that no salaries will be paid to the officers, or any expenses incurred except as may be absolutely necessary. As an evidence of this the Secretary reports no expenses whatever during the past year.

At the last Annual Communication of this Grand Body, Past Grand Master A. D. Countryman, at the request of the Board, offered a resolution (which appears on page 44 of the Grand Lodge Journal), for the turning over to this association of the amount of the legacy of Brother John Schaefer, given to the Grand Lodge for the purposes of a Masonic Home in this jurisdiction.

It was the understanding of some of the members that this resolution was adopted by the Grand Lodge, but the Journal does not disclose any action thereon; and we, therefore, respectfully request that the necessary authority be given by this Grand Body.

One Trustee, to take the place of Gideon S. Ives, whose term expires, should be selected by the Grand Lodge.

Through some inadvertance or mistake the report made to the Grand Lodge at the last Annual Communication was not published in the Journal, and in order that the record of this enterprise may be made complete, a copy of such report is hereto attached, and we respectfully request that both reports may be published in the Journal of this year.

Respectfully submitted,

GIDEON S. IVES,
President Minnesota Masonic Home.

REPORT OF THE MINNESOTA MASONIC HOME BOARD.

(Alluded to above)

Presented at the Communication of the Grand Lodge in 1907.

To the M.'.W.'. Grand Lodge:

The undersigned committee, having been duly appointed by the Grand Master, under the terms of a resolution adopted by the Grand

Lodge at its last Annual Communication, providing for the organization of a corporation, having for its object the accumulation of a fund to be employed in the erection and maintenance of a Masonic Home in the jurisdiction of Minnesota, beg leave to make the following statement and report to this Grand Body:

In pursuance of such appointment said committee met in the City of St. Paul on the 4th day of October, 1906, and agreed upon and adopted a certificate of incorporation in accordance with the terms of said resolution, a copy of which certificate is hereto attached and made a part of this report. (Copy not attached.—Grand Secretary.)

For the information of the brethren present, however, special attention is called to certain provisions of said certificate:

It is positively provided therein that such Home shall not be *located* or constructed until the sum of one hundred thousand dollars shall have been secured: fifty thousand dollars of which shall be set apart and reserved as a permanent endowment fund. Thus assuring the brethren that this corporation will not, and cannot, involve this Grand Lodge, or other Masonic Bodies, in any pecuniary obligations; and at the same time informing them that all efforts toward securing the permanent location of the Home in any locality will be premature until this sum has been obtained; although efforts made by any Lodge or its members in aiding to secure this fund will certainly not be overlooked when the time of fixing the location of the proposed Home shall arrive.

It will also be observed that no plan of assessment of members or of Lodges has been provided, and that the entire scheme only contemplates *voluntary* contributions, through gifts, bequests, etc., and a system of membership fees in this corporation by *Lodges, Organizations and Individuals*.

Owing to various causes the organization of this corporation was not finally perfected, so as to allow legal action, until the latter part of November 1906; and by reason of this delay in commencing work very little opportunity, prior to this communication of the Grand Lodge, has been had to present the claims of this organization to the Lodges and brethren, or to secure action thereon.

Enough has been accomplished, however, in this short time to demonstrate beyond all doubt, that this enterprise is bound to be a success, the only question remaining in doubt being the time necessary for its accomplishment.

The fees for membership already paid in, as shown by the report of the Secretary, William P. Roberts, are as follows:

One permanent membership with right of appointment to the Home	\$500.00
One permanent membership with right of succession.....	100.00
Sixteen subordinate organizations.....	800.00
Nine life memberships.....	225.00
Total.....	\$1,625.00

In addition to this quite a number of Lodges and individuals have signified intention to take membership, or have already voted to do so, but the formal action thereon has not been reported to the Board so that they can be enumerated in this report. Among these is that of Minneapolis Lodge No. 224 (the youngest Lodge in that city) for a \$500 membership, and several subordinate organizations, including Eastern Star No. 37 Minneapolis. In this connection it may also be stated that the Grand Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star has already secured a fund of about five thousand dollars to be used for the purposes of a Masonic Home.

In addition to these amounts, there should be included the legacy given for the purposes of a Masonic Home by a worthy brother of the City of Minneapolis since the last Annual Communication of this Grand Lodge. This brother, hearing of the movement to erect a Home in this jurisdiction, made provision in his will for the use of the residue of his property (after giving certain other legacies) for the purposes of a Masonic Home; but as the proposed corporation was not then organized and could not legally take such gift at that time, it was made directly to the Grand Lodge for this purpose. This brother has since died, and his estate is now being administered in the Probate Court of Hennepin County, and this Grand Lodge is respectfully requested to take such action as may be necessary at this session to turn this fund over to the Trustees of the Home as soon as it is available.

It will be seen from the above statements, that, notwithstanding the very short period of the existence of this corporation, a very substantial foundation for our future edifice has already been secured. In the immediate future of this organization, what seems most desirable is that such Lodges and organizations as are able to do so take out membership certificates, and thus become identified with this enterprise at an early period of its existence, and thereby encourage others in this direction.

Special attention is also called to the provision of Permanent Membership with the right of Appointment to the Home. This membership gives to any Lodge, organization or person holding such cer-

tificate the right of appointment of any person (who may be eligible under the By-laws) to the Home for life. It must be apparent, even from a financial point of view, that this will prove a good investment to any Lodge liable to have a member requiring aid; and those taking it will not only have secured a place for some worthy brother, but will also have the satisfaction of materially aiding this enterprise, and thereby hastening the time when it shall reach its fruition. It must also give great satisfaction to any person to know, that by this payment of five hundred dollars, he has provided a place where either he, or his wife, or any person in whom he may be interested, may secure a comfortable home in case the vicissitudes of life may ever render such action necessary.

With reference to the care of the funds that shall from time to time be entrusted to this organization, it may be said that the Treasurer and Secretary are required by the By-laws to give proper bonds for the faithful discharge of their respective duties; and further provision is made for depositing all the funds with a responsible trust company, only to be drawn out through the warrants of the proper officers of the corporation. In addition to this, it is the design of the Trustees to loan out these funds as fast as received upon first-class security, and for the best possible rate of interest; \$1,000 of the funds already received having been loaned on a farm mortgage in Renville County at five and one-half per cent interest.

The Trustees respectfully ask this Grand Lodge to appropriate, at least, the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars, to secure one membership in this corporation, thereby also showing its appreciation of the objects of this enterprise; and that every member present will interest himself in this work in his own Lodge, and endeavor to secure a membership therefrom before the next Annual Communication of this Grand Body.

Respectfully submitted,

Gideon S. Ives, Trevanion W. Hugo, Mary C. Taylor, William P. Roberts, Frank H. Carleton, John Wesley Andrews, Alfred G. Pinkham, Randolph A. Wilkinson, William Hayes Laird, William A. McGonagle, Ambrose D. Countryman.

Committee, and Trustees of Minnesota Masonic Home.

APPENDIX C—GRAND OFFICERS

ELECTIVE GRAND OFFICERS OF THE G. L. OF MINNESOTA, FROM ITS ORGANIZATION, FEB. 24 1853 TO THE PRESENT TIME

Date Installed	Grand Master	Deputy G. M.:	Senior G. W.:	Junior G. W.:	G. Treasurer	No.	G. Secretary	ON
Feb. 2, 1853	A. E. Ames*	Goodrich*	3 D. F. Bravley*	3 A. Van Vorhes*	E. Case*	2	I. G. Lennon*	2
Feb. 2, 1854	A. E. Ames*	A. F. Bravley*	3 D. F. Bravley*	3 A. Van Vorhes*	E. Case*	1	I. G. Reynolds*	4
Jan. 42, 1855	M. Sherrill*	A. T. C. Pierson*	5 C. I. Steadfast*	2 A. T. C. Pierson*	E. Case*	1	H. Reynolds*	4
Jan. 11, 1856	A. T. C. Pierson*	A. T. C. Pierson*	5 C. I. Steadfast*	6 E. A. Hodgson†	E. Case*	1	H. Reynolds*	4
Jan. 8, 1857	A. T. C. Pierson*	A. T. C. Pierson*	1 E. A. Hodgson†	4 Wm. Lee*	E. Case*	7	Geo. W. Prescott*	4
Jan. 8, 1858	A. T. C. Pierson*	D. B. Loomis*	1 Frank Mantor*	11 A. C. Smith*	E. Case*	3	Geo. W. Prescott*	19
Oct. 26, 1859	A. T. C. Pierson*	D. B. Loomis*	1 Frank Mantor*	1 Samuel E. Adams	E. Case*	16	Geo. W. Prescott*	19
Oct. 23, 1860	A. T. C. Pierson*	D. B. Loomis*	1 Saml E. Adams	1 Geo. Whipple*	E. Case*	17	Geo. W. Prescott*	19
Oct. 23, 1861	A. T. C. Pierson*	D. B. Loomis*	1 L. E. Thompson*	9 C. W. Thompson*	E. Case*	31	Geo. W. Prescott*	19
Oct. 28, 1863	A. T. C. Pierson*	L. E. Thompson*	1 L. E. Thompson*	1 Geo. Bradley*	E. Case*	28	A. T. C. Pierson*	5
Oct. 26, 1864	Geo. W. Prescott*	L. E. Thompson*	1 C. H. Lindsley†	21 A. B. Curry†	E. Case*	34	C. W. Carpenter	5
Oct. 25, 1866	Geo. W. Prescott*	L. E. Thompson*	18 G. B. Cooley*	31 A. B. Curry†	E. Case*	40	Wm. S. Combs	5
Oct. 24, 1867	Chas. W. Nash	P. E. Hubbell*	21 S. R. Merrell*	49 S. J. Phelps*	E. Case*	34	Wm. S. Combs	5
Oct. 23, 1867	Chas. W. Nash	A. Jones*	21 S. R. Merrell*	40 S. V. Hyde	E. Case*	49	Wm. S. Combs	5
Jan. 15, 1869	Chas. W. Nash	G. B. Cooley*	49 E. N. Merrell*	49 Fred Joss*	E. Case*	8	Wm. S. Combs	5
Jan. 12, 1870	Chas. W. Nash	G. B. Cooley*	49 E. N. Merrell*	12 J. W. Morford*	E. Case*	33	Wm. S. Combs	5
Jan. 12, 1871	Chas. W. Nash	G. B. Cooley*	49 E. N. Merrell*	1 E. P. Barnum*	E. Case*	60	E. D. B. Porter†	5
Jan. 12, 1872	G. B. Cooley*	N. Castle*	1 Edgar Nash	79 L. B. Cummings*	E. Case*	18	E. D. B. Porter†	5
Jan. 15, 1873	C. Griswold*	N. Castle*	1 Edgar Nash	79 L. B. Cummings*	E. Case*	18	E. D. B. Porter†	5
Jan. 15, 1874	C. Griswold*	N. Castle*	1 Edgar Nash	79 L. B. Cummings*	E. Case*	36	A. T. C. Pierson*	2
Jan. 13, 1875	C. Griswold*	C. Braden*	18 H. R. Wells	35 A. J. Edgerton*	E. Case*	11	A. T. C. Pierson*	2
Jan. 13, 1876	C. Griswold*	C. Braden*	18 H. R. Wells	35 A. J. Edgerton*	E. Case*	17	A. T. C. Pierson*	2
Jan. 11, 1877	C. Griswold*	C. Braden*	18 H. R. Wells	35 A. J. Edgerton*	E. Case*	9	A. T. C. Pierson*	19
Jan. 16, 1878	E. W. Durant	E. W. Durant	1 L. Z. Rogers*	4 Geo. A. Camp*	E. Case*	2	A. T. C. Pierson*	19
Jan. 15, 1879	Henry R. Wells	H. R. Wells	36 C. H. Benton*	9 Geo. A. Camp*	E. Case*	104	A. T. C. Pierson*	19
Jan. 14, 1880	Henry R. Wells	H. R. Wells	36 C. H. Benton*	23 J. H. Brown*	E. Case*	21	A. T. C. Pierson*	19
Jan. 12, 1881	Henry R. Wells	H. R. Wells	23 Henry R. Denny	111 R. H. Gove*	E. Case*	42	A. T. C. Pierson*	19
Jan. 11, 1882	C. H. Benton*	G. H. Davis*	23 Henry R. Denny	111 R. H. Gove*	E. Case*	21	A. T. C. Pierson*	19
Jan. 10, 1883	C. H. Benton*	G. H. Davis*	111 R. H. Gove*	57 A. P. Fitch*	E. Case*	98	A. T. C. Pierson*	19
Jan. 16, 1884	Henry R. Denny	Henry R. Denny	21 J. A. Kiester*	79 C. H. Smith*	E. Case*	97	A. T. C. Pierson*	19
Jan. 14, 1885	Henry R. Denny	Henry R. Denny	21 J. A. Kiester*	57 A. P. Fitch*	E. Case*	98	A. T. C. Pierson*	19
Jan. 13, 1886	R. H. Gove*	R. H. Gove*	57 A. P. Fitch*	60 A. LaDue	E. Case*	11	A. T. C. Pierson*	19
Jan. 12, 1887	R. H. Gove*	R. H. Gove*	57 A. P. Fitch*	60 A. LaDue	E. Case*	11	A. T. C. Pierson*	19
Jan. 13, 1888	J. H. Brown*	J. A. Kiester*	57 A. P. Fitch*	60 A. LaDue	E. Case*	5	A. T. C. Pierson*	19
Jan. 17, 1889	J. A. Kiester*	J. A. Kiester*	57 A. P. Fitch*	60 A. LaDue	E. Case*	2	A. T. C. Pierson*	19

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Nov. 30, 1889	J. A. Kiestler*	57	Alphonso Barto*	60	W. F. Dickinson*	91	Chas. D. Boyce	2	H. Thompson*	19	T. Montgomery*	54
Jan. 17, 1890	Alphonso Barto*	60	W. F. Dickinson*	91	Chas. D. Boyce	133	H. C. Shepard	18	H. Thompson*	19	T. Montgomery*	54
Jan. 14, 1892	W. F. Dickinson*	60	W. F. Dickinson*	91	C. L. Brown	133	Wm. B. Patton	79	H. Thompson*	19	T. Montgomery*	54
Jan. 12, 1893	C. L. Brown	133	Chas. L. West	39	J. F. Lawless	3	A. T. Stebbins	21	H. Thompson*	19	T. Montgomery*	54
Jan. 11, 1894	C. L. Brown	133	J. F. Lawless	3	A. T. Stebbins	21	A. Brandenburgh	99	H. Thompson*	19	T. Montgomery*	54
Jan. 17, 1895	J. F. Lawless	3	A. T. Stebbins	21	A. Brandenburgh	99	J. H. Randall*	4	H. Thompson*	19	T. Montgomery*	54
Jan. 16, 1896	A. T. Stebbins	21	A. Brandenburgh	99	J. H. Randall*	99	A. D. Countryman	137	H. Thompson*	19	T. Montgomery*	54
Jan. 14, 1897	A. T. Stebbins	21	A. Brandenburgh	99	J. H. Randall*	99	A. D. Countryman	137	H. Thompson*	19	T. Montgomery*	54
Jan. 13, 1898	A. T. Stebbins	21	A. Brandenburgh	99	J. H. Randall*	99	A. D. Countryman	137	H. Thompson*	19	T. Montgomery*	54
Jan. 12, 1899	A. T. Stebbins	21	A. Brandenburgh	99	J. H. Randall*	99	A. D. Countryman	137	H. Thompson*	19	T. Montgomery*	54
Jan. 18, 1900	A. T. Stebbins	21	A. Brandenburgh	99	J. H. Randall*	99	A. D. Countryman	137	H. Thompson*	19	T. Montgomery*	54
Jan. 24, 1901	Gid. S. Ives	54	Henry R. Adams	224	W. A. McGonagle	137	Gid. S. Ives	54	H. Thompson*	19	T. Montgomery*	54
Jan. 23, 1902	A. D. Countryman	137	Henry R. Adams	224	W. A. McGonagle	137	Enoch Stott	18	D. W. Knowlton	112	T. Montgomery*	54
Feb. 25, 1903	Henry R. Adams	224	W. A. McGonagle	137	Henry M. Tusler	163	Thomas Morris	141	D. W. Knowlton	112	T. Montgomery*	54
Jan. 21, 1904	W. A. McGonagle	137	Henry M. Tusler	163	Thomas Morris	141	Gustaf Widell	12	D. W. Knowlton	112	T. Montgomery*	54
Jan. 19, 1905	Henry M. Tusler	163	Thomas Morris	141	Gustaf Widell	12	Wm. P. Roberts	4	D. W. Knowlton	112	T. Montgomery*	54
Jan. 18, 1906	Thomas Morris	141	Gustaf Widell	12	Wm. P. Roberts	4	Eugene E. Swan	229	D. W. Knowlton	112	T. Montgomery*	54
Jan. 24, 1907	Gustaf Widell	12	Wm. P. Roberts	4	Eugene E. Swan	229	Sheldon L. Frazer	186	D. W. Knowlton	112	T. Montgomery*	54
Jan. 23, 1908	Wm. P. Roberts	4	Eugene E. Swan	229	Wm. B. Patton	79	Elmer A. Kling	140	D. W. Knowlton	112	John Fishel	190

*Deceased.

†No session of Grand Lodge in 1862 or 1863.

‡Expelled.

§Withdrawn.

¶Stricken from the roll of Lodge.

APPENDIX D.—DIRECTORY OF LODGES, 1908.

Name of Lodge.	Location.	Date of Charter.	Worshipful Master.	Senior Warden.	Junior Warden.	Secretary.	Time of Meeting.
1 St. Johns.....	Stillwater.....	Feb. 24, '53	I. Q. MacIntosh.....	Gilbert W. Davis.....	C. E. Hawkins.....	Ira E. King.....	1 and 3 Mon.
2 Cataract.....	Minneapolis.....	" 24, '53	Frank J. Meyst.....	Wm. G. Whitcomb.....	C. W. Hall.....	Wm. H. J. Pearce.....	1 Sat.
3 St. Paul.....	St. Paul.....	" 24, '53	Fenton G. Warner.....	Thos. F. Edwards.....	A. J. Willard.....	Fredek J. Banister.....	1 Fri.
4 Hennepin.....	Minneapolis.....	Jan. 2, '54	Horace M. Weston.....	Gus S. Nelson.....	Frank S. Pool.....	Iesse H. Wakeman.....	2 and 4 Wed.
5 Anc't Landmark.....	St. Paul.....	" 3, '54	Ben. K. Edwards.....	Mark O. Nelson.....	Frank S. D'Angre.....	M. T. Emery.....	2 and 4 Thurs.
6 Dakota.....	Hastings.....	" 9, '56	J. A. Holmquist.....	Mark O. Nelson.....	J. P. Hedun.....	S. B. Rude.....	2 and 4 Wed.
7 Red Wing.....	Faribault.....	" 9, '56	Hugo H. Hendr.....	Chas. L. Kellogg.....	S. T. I. Richards.....	G. H. Diepenbrock.....	1 Mon.
8 Faribault.....	Mankato.....	" 6, '57	W. H. Robillard.....	J. M. Strand.....	W. A. Greney.....	D. E. Goodman.....	2 and 4 Mon.
9 Mankato.....	Wabasha.....	" 6, '57	F. C. Calhoun.....	Harry Footnagel.....	Wm. Peters.....	Geo. H. Slocum.....	2 and 4 Tues.
10 Wabasha.....	Monticello.....	" 6, '57	M. W. Dady.....	T. H. Bangman.....	C. A. Waldron.....	Harry M. Dugan.....	1 and 3 Sat.
11 Monticello.....	Winona.....	" 8, '57	C. S. Strout.....	F. L. Gengnagel.....	Wm. Peters.....	C. Moores.....	1 and 3 Tues.
12 Winona.....	Minneapolis.....	" 8, '57	P. E. Bangardner.....	C. M. Morse.....	Chas. Kroeger.....	Joseph I. Hillmer.....	1 and 3 Tues.
13 Rochester.....	Caledonia.....	" 7, '58	John A. Sawyer.....	C. E. Braden.....	G. D. Adams.....	George E. Young.....	1 and 3 Wed.
14 Rochester.....	Pleasant Grove.....	" 8, '58	W. E. Bowering.....	F. B. Collins.....	J. W. Potter.....	Carl Krick.....	2 and 4 Wed.
15 Pleasant Grove.....	St. Cloud.....	" 8, '58	O. C. Heyerdal.....	Theo. A. Schacht.....	R. A. Baker.....	W. W. Churchill.....	2 and 4 Mon.
16 North Star.....	Alma City.....	" 8, '58	C. L. Denay.....	Wm. Smith.....	Geo. Fordham.....	F. W. Nutting.....	1 and 3 Tues.
17 Wilton.....	Alma City.....	" 8, '58	John H. Elmore.....	Wm. Schreiber.....	W. F. Benjamin.....	Chas. W. Linwood.....	1 and 3 Tues.
18 Western Star.....	Alma City.....	" 8, '58	John H. Elmore.....	Wm. Schreiber.....	W. F. Benjamin.....	H. E. Gates.....	1 and 3 Thurs.
19 Blue Earth Valley.....	Winebago City.....	" 27, '58	J. H. Land.....	C. W. Hall.....	Burt May.....	O. J. Wulff.....	2 and 4 Tues.
20 Clear Water.....	La Crescent.....	" 27, '58	W. A. Streater.....	J. M. Knox.....	C. R. Smith.....	E. N. Hamilton.....	2 and 4 Tues.
21 Morning Star.....	Anoka.....	" 26, '59	W. F. Welch.....	J. A. Trafton.....	C. E. Boynton.....	W. L. Emily.....	1 and 3 Sat.
22 Anoka.....	Anden.....	" 26, '59	W. A. Field.....	Wm. Buckham.....	Ias. B. Berry.....	Frank Hart.....	1 and 3 Sat.
23 King Hiram.....	Waterville.....	" 24, '60	Chas. E. Morrell.....	Wm. Denning.....	M. S. Darlington.....	H. A. Engler.....	2 and 4 Fri.
24 Sakata the East.....	Cannon Falls.....	" 24, '60	F. W. Birch.....	A. E. Hasler.....	C. W. Christman.....	Wm. J. Berner.....	1 and 3 Sat.
25 Onondaga.....	Preston.....	" 24, '60	A. B. Stewart.....	M. J. Brown.....	H. C. Howe.....	Harvey S. Daritt.....	2 and 4 Wed.
26 Mystic Tie.....	Pine Island.....	" 23, '61	A. G. Olson.....	T. I. Garratt.....	Chas. P. Hall.....	Levi Manning.....	1 and 3 Wed.
27 Washington.....	West Concord.....	" 23, '61	I. W. McDougal.....	G. C. Swarthout.....	Wm. R. Wells.....	Julius Johnson.....	2 and 4 Wed.
28 Fidelity.....	Austin.....	" 23, '61	H. W. Sevens.....	D. C. Gardner.....	J. T. McCarthy.....	D. W. Dayenport.....	2 and 4 Sat.
29 Carleian.....	Lake City.....	" 28, '63	W. J. Lawrie.....	Peter Hanson.....	F. C. Ulmer.....	Geo. N. Bird.....	1 and 3 Tues.
30 Herman.....	Zumbota.....	" 28, '63	G. W. Scofield.....	R. D. Underwood.....	Albert Robertson.....	L. S. Lutz.....	2 and 4 Tues.
41 Hope.....	Glencoe.....	" 28, '63	H. L. Simons.....	P. W. Mook.....	Ias. D. Grover.....	J. H. Farwell.....	1 and 3 Tues.
42 Harmony.....	Lewiston.....	" 28, '63	O. W. Hunt.....	A. N. Johnson.....	B. S. Nickerson.....	C. V. Corson.....	1 and 3 Mon.
43 King Solomon.....	Shakopee.....	" 28, '63	H. O. Smith.....	C. G. Bowdish.....	Geo. Thornquist.....	Roy Baldwin.....	2 and 4 Sat.

APPENDIX D.—DIRECTORY OF LODGES, 1908.—Continued.

No.	Name of Lodge.	Location.	Date of Charter.	Worshipful Master.	Senior Warden.	Junior Warden.	Secretary.	Time of Meeting.
45	Union.....	Le Sueur.....	Oct. '64	W. H. Tomlinson.....	G. J. Diener.....	C. E. Conley.....	F. E. Hamlin.....	1 and 3 Tues.
46	Evergreen.....	Clyde.....	" " '64	Nate Beckstedt.....	J. E. Gerry.....	D. S. Dyer.....	F. B. Clawson.....	1 and 3 Sat.
47	Concord.....	Cleveland.....	" " '64	W. C. Davies.....	J. T. Peach.....	J. G. Montgomery.....	H. A. Hill.....	1 and 3 Sat.
48	Social.....	Northfield.....	" " '64	A. A. Hunt.....	H. J. Baldwin.....	R. S. Ramage.....	D. D. Turner.....	1 and 3 Mon.
49	Rising Sun.....	St. Charles.....	" " '64	James W. Hart.....	Hiram C. Bear.....	Chas. W. Crippen.....	Robt. A. Johnson.....	1 and 3 Ths.
50	Watertown.....	Watertown.....	" " '64	Guy E. Halgren.....	H. H. Justus.....	S. A. Nystrom.....	Robt. Wallace.....	* * *
51	Acacia.....	Cottage Grove.....	" " '65	Irving T. Morey.....	L. I. Crippen.....	Geo. E. Borth.....	Peter Thompson.....	* * *
52	Cannon River.....	Morristown.....	" " '65	L. M. Hollister.....	H. H. Donaldson.....	W. B. Adams.....	H. C. D. Widrick.....	* * *
53	Nicollet.....	St. Peter.....	" " '65	J. L. Holmberg.....	H. H. Ribble.....	A. M. Anderson.....	C. D. Mott.....	1 and 3 Tues.
54	Zion.....	Taylor Falls.....	" " '66	L. W. Snell.....	C. N. Schottmuller.....	Chas. Olson.....	W. X. Folsom.....	2 and 4 Wed.
55	Meridian.....	Chatfield.....	" " '66	W. H. Ball.....	C. T. B. Clawson.....	R. L. H. Land.....	W. H. Silsbee.....	1 and 3 Wed.
56	Blue Earth City.....	Blue Earth.....	" " '67	F. V. Cummings.....	T. E. Douglass.....	Thos. Woods.....	Phil. Ehresman.....	1 and 3 Sat.
57	Spring Valley.....	Spring Valley.....	" " '67	Harris E. Leach.....	E. G. Washburn.....	W. N. Kendrick.....	S. C. Patridge.....	1 and 3 Tues.
58	Temple.....	Hutchinson.....	" " '67	P. E. Avery.....	E. H. Burns.....	H. J. Langfitt.....	Philomir Tmey.....	1 and 3 Tues.
59	Star in the West.....	Sauk Centre.....	" " '67	Chas. McCracken.....	J. O. H. Schluesser.....	E. A. Richards.....	Philomir Lamb.....	2 and 4 Tues.
60	Ashler.....	Eyota.....	" " '67	Wm. H. Mitchell.....	R. W. C. Dugan.....	F. S. Seymour.....	Geo. H. Bush.....	1 and 3 Mon.
61	Star.....	Rockford.....	" " '67	J. A. E. Smith.....	Wm. Dudley.....	Wm. Prestidge.....	O. W. Crawford.....	* * *
62	Illustrious.....	Plainview.....	" " '67	H. O. Noben.....	J. E. Palmer.....	E. A. French.....	L. T. Meachum.....	1 and 3 Tues.
63	Chain Lake.....	Fairmont.....	" " '67	H. C. W. Morse.....	Geo. Knudson.....	O. McCarthy.....	L. G. Mitchell.....	1 and 3 Wed.
64	Madella.....	Madella.....	" " '67	H. W. F. Drake.....	D. O. Smith.....	Edward McGrail.....	L. M. Pomeroy.....	1 and 3 Tues.
65	Corinthian.....	Farmington.....	" " '67	H. W. F. Drake.....	H. K. Hanson.....	C. A. Berg.....	J. B. Whittier.....	1 and 3 Tues.
66	Mystic Star.....	Kushford.....	" " '67	Harry Boylan.....	H. C. Johnston.....	Geo. Bosworth.....	J. A. Pederson.....	2 and 4 Tues.
67	Paynesville.....	Paynesville.....	" " '69	John Thompson.....	F. A. Roy.....	A. E. Beadel.....	Albert E. Bugbie.....	2 and 4 Sat.
68	Lansing.....	Le Roy.....	" " '69	F. W. Whitcomb.....	F. A. Carl.....	Rufus Mahoney.....	O. C. LeBar.....	2 and 4 Sat.
69	Eureka.....	Good Thunder.....	" " '69	W. B. Falconer.....	F. H. Griffin.....	Chas. Peterson.....	I. M. Wyckoff.....	1 and 3 Tues.
70	Tuscan.....	Waseca.....	" " '69	M. M. Davidson.....	C. A. Wood.....	C. N. Norton.....	C. M. Hawkes.....	2 and 4 Ths.
71	Mystic Circle.....	Houston.....	" " '69	C. Barton.....	E. O. Abrahamson.....	Ios. Mills.....	C. F. Schonlau.....	2 and 4 Fri.
72	Palestine.....	Duluth.....	" " '70	Edward K. Coe.....	Andrew C. Volk.....	Gorham A. Taylor.....	Henry Nesbitt.....	1 and 3 Mon.
73	Henderson.....	Henderson.....	" " '70	L. L. Peckell.....	Fred Herrmann.....	Reinhold Schwartz.....	A. C. Buck.....	2 and 4 Wed.
74	Constellation.....	Alexandria.....	" " '70	A. L. Campbell.....	I. I. Volker.....	John Abercrombie.....	C. T. Parker.....	1 and 3 Sat.
75	Howard.....	Howard Lake.....	" " '70	H. S. G. Moffet.....	E. E. Ritchie.....	Ted Dyer.....	Geo. E. Means.....	1 and 3 Wed.
76	Huram Abi.....	Kasson.....	" " '71	Taylor Robinson.....	C. E. Fairchild.....	F. C. Perkins.....	Geo. E. Anderson.....	1 and 3 Sat.
77	Money Creek.....	Money Creek.....	" " '71	G. F. Brown.....	C. W. Robinson.....	H. E. Perkins.....	E. G. Armstrong.....	1 and 3 Sat.
78	High Forest.....	High Forest.....	" " '71	T. N. L. Mungier.....	E. H. Englehart.....	A. L. McCray.....	W. A. Munger.....	1 and 3 Sat.
79	Triumphant.....	Mazeppa.....	" " '71	N. L. Nott.....	F. W. Kingsley.....	E. A. McCormester.....	I. A. Klavisch.....	2 and 4 Fri.
80	Doric.....	Wells.....	" " '71	T. N. L. Nott.....	A. J. Smith.....	C. S. W. Swanson.....	A. T. Koerner.....	1 and 3 Fri.
81	Golden Fleece.....	Litchfield.....	" " '72	Emil C. Gross.....	Nels N. Anderson.....	A. B. Cheudle.....	J. G. Robertson.....	1 and 3 Wed.
82	Good Faith.....	Litchfield.....	" " '72	H. M. Burnham.....	Alex. T. Fiddes.....			

91	Antiquity	Redwood Falls...	Jan.	10	72	O. L. Dornberg	C. V. Everett	F. A. Japs	M. W. Hingley	1 and 3 Wed.
92	Frernal	Princeton	"	10	72	W. L. Hatch	Geo. E. Rice	Albertus Hanson	L. Larson	2 and 4 Wed.
93	Unity	Sauk Rapids	"	10	72	Wm. L. Sartell	M. L. Miller	L. L. Herrick	J. K. Carpenter	2 and 8 Sat.
94	Keystone	Sleepy Eye	"	10	72	E. S. Rhoads	J. F. Knudsen	Glen Davey	T. F. Talbot	1 and 3 Tues.
95	Sherburne	Elk River	"	10	72	F. D. Waterman	Freeman Webb	H. B. Nickerson	C. F. Nickerson	1 and 3 Tues.
96	Libanus	St. James	"	10	73	A. A. Gibbs	Tracy Gillott	F. E. Jewis	C. A. Hawkins	2 and 4 Tues.
97	Prudence	Windom	"	10	73	A. F. Strunk	G. E. LeFournau	E. G. Mhields	J. A. Rupph	1 and 3 Wed.
98	Charity	New Ulm	"	10	73	Herman Held	Adolph Meile	E. G. Brandenberg	C. Schindler	2 and 4 Tues.
99	Corner Stone	Fergus Falls	"	10	73	N. F. Field	L. L. LaRue	G. H. Harner	R. F. Lincoln	1 Tues.
100	Aurora	Brainerd	"	10	73	Geo. D. LaBar	S. P. Pirie	James M. Gasky	E. J. Cook	2 and 4 Tues.
101	Fraternity	Worthington	"	10	73	C. M. Crandall	W. S. Smith	G. M. Gasky	I. M. Addington	1 and 3 Mon.
102	Lebanon	Lakeboro	"	10	73	L. T. Tolletson	A. C. Roning	H. H. Madsen	M. G. Fellows	1 and 3 Mon.
103	Bethel	Lake Crystal	"	10	73	R. C. Roberts	Chas. Evans	H. H. Edwards	James Thomas	1 and 3 Wed.
104	Sharon	Willmar	"	10	73	Russell Spicer	Anton Bakke	H. H. Herberg	H. C. Hansen	2 and 4 Fri.
106	Mount Tabor	Detroit	"	10	74	E. F. Harris	E. J. Campbell	A. R. Campbell	H. P. Phillips	2 and 4 Tues.
108	Relief	Dodge Center	"	10	74	Gus Crail	H. W. Sterling	H. R. Whitney	B. W. Gamshy	1 and 8 Sat.
109	Sunset	Montevideo	"	10	74	H. C. Stebbins	H. W. Seier	R. A. Whitmore	B. A. Whitmore	2 and last Fri.
110	Pickwick	Pickwick	"	10	75	F. K. Sinclair	Geo. H. Schafer	I. M. Stetmeyer	I. C. Brunius	2 and 4 Sat.
111	Carver	Excelsior	"	10	75	Jacob Bristle	C. A. Pettit	H. T. Downes	O. C. Brunius	1 and 3 Sat.
112	Khurum	Minneapolis	"	10	75	Geo. W. Meyer	H. C. Reay	H. T. Downes	H. H. Mix	2 and 4 Fri.
113	Excelsior	Excelsior	"	10	75	Geo. W. Thurston	H. C. Reay	H. C. Sherman	G. W. Cottrell	1 and 3 Fri.
114	Ben Franklin	Luverne	"	10	75	T. Martin	D. W. McDougall	E. F. Weher	Vincent Holton	1 and 3 Tues.
115	Elgin	Elgin	"	10	76	H. A. Stephan	M. J. McGowan	G. W. Foster	Geo. M. Shortt	1 and 3 Sat.
116	Brownsville	Brownsville	"	10	76	P. J. Cresson	C. L. Christianson	R. S. Carpenter	H. P. Bengston	1 and 3 Tues.
117	Granite	Granite Falls	"	10	76	F. M. Trickey	L. W. Banter	A. M. Crandall	H. A. Durand	1 and 3 Tues.
118	Newport	Newport	"	10	76	H. D. Caley	L. H. Blegen	O. F. Woodard	David M. King	1 and 3 Tues.
119	Delta	Grand Meadow	"	10	76	Geo. A. Wright	Philip T. Elliott	E. F. Greening	Levi W. Hunt	2 and 4 Wed.
121	Grand Meadow	Grand Meadow	"	10	76	H. E. Wolfe	C. F. Wolfe	Geo. Montgomery	F. W. Heuer	2 and 4 Fri.
122	Kellogg	Kellogg	"	10	76	E. Morlon	S. A. Rask	Fred Jurgenson	A. A. Peterson	2 and 4 Sat.
123	Prairie	Bloomsville	"	10	76	F. C. Whittlesey	M. J. Ryan	H. L. Miner	L. D. Rogers	2 and 4 Tues.
124	Janesville	Janesville	"	10	77	E. Owen	J. W. Hamilton	E. T. Reed	W. M. Krueger	2 and 4 Wed.
125	Winslow Lewis	Moorehead	"	10	77	Robt. Tufts	A. H. Costain	E. T. Reed	John Eid	2 and 4 Tues.
126	Noorthead	Moorehead	"	10	77	T. B. Taylor	C. S. Ellis	Jos. Edminster	H. M. Quinn	1 and 3 Tues.
128	Geopius	Mendon	"	10	77	Orin Kinney	E. A. Smith	J. E. Norris	E. R. Aldrich	2 and 4 Tues.
129	Swift	Rensselaer	"	10	78	W. F. Cobb	Ole Running	E. J. Eklund	J. H. W. Truwe	1 and 3 Sat.
131	Ima	Young America	"	10	78	Aug. F. Truwe	H. Vogler, Sr.	Nels Olson	J. H. W. Hanson	2 and 3 Tues.
132	Runboldt	Morris	"	10	78	J. J. Stock	J. B. Brown	Nels Olson	John A. Eklund	1 and 3 Tues.
133	Golden Sheaf	Cokato	"	10	79	Arthur Nelson	Wm. H. Reed	Frank Green	Sylvester R. Wells	2 and 4 Mon.
134	Buffalo	Buffalo	"	10	79	Frank S. Abbott	Adolph Friend	Fred Green	D. O. Bulen	2 and 4 Sat.
135	Nelson	Walnut Grove	"	10	79	W. J. McDonald	E. J. Abrahamson	T. O. Thoen	E. V. Dickey	1 and 3 Tues.
136	Walton	Appleton	"	10	80	F. J. Skillman	C. A. Brown	F. P. Twichell	Martin Olson	2 and 4 Tues.
137	Appleton	Appleton	"	10	80	Peter Larson	Martin Anderson	Geo. H. Larson	Nels A. Lee	1 and 3 Tues.
138	Verndale	Verndale	"	10	80	F. A. Thompson	Nels A. Lee	Geo. W. Empey	Geo. W. Empey	1 and 3 Tues.
139	Verndale	Verndale	"	10	80	Frank W. Lyon	Harry E. Meyers	P. A. Christensen	Elmer A. Kling	2 and 4 Tues.
140	Little Falls	Little Falls	"	10	80	Thomas Morris	Chas. L. Bang	B. D. Keck	F. E. McGregor	2 and 4 Mon.
141	Crookston	Crookston	"	10	80	Thomas Morris	Chas. L. Bang	B. D. Keck	F. E. McGregor	2 and 4 Mon.

APPENDIX D.—DIRECTORY OF LODGES, 1908.—Continued.

Name of Lodge	Location	Date of Charter	Worshipful Master	Senior Warden	Junior Warden	Secretary	Time of Meeting
142 Currie.....	Currie.....	Jan. 12, '81	F. G. Meyers.....	E. Derreau.....	C. E. Jerome.....	H. Butson.....	1 and 3 Mon.
143 Lakeview.....	Ortonville.....	" 12, '81	Chas. T. Lunge.....	James Newton.....	E. J. Engquist.....	Hayden French.....	1 and 3 Fri.
144 Bird Island.....	Bird Island.....	" 12, '81	Geo. H. Sanberg.....	L. E. Sherwood.....	D. R. Miller.....	Amund Dahl.....	1 and 3 Sat.
145 Melrose.....	Melrose.....	" 12, '81	W. W. Malson.....	F. W. Quirnback.....	H. B. Gipple.....	H. C. Maguren.....	2 and 4 Tues.
146 Benton.....	Lake Benton.....	" 12, '81	Walter W. Bliven.....	Chas. E. Lavison.....	Royal A. Turner.....	John MacKenzie.....	2 and 4 Fri.
147 Canby.....	Canby.....	" 11, '82	J. E. Vanstrom.....	H. D. Reed.....	J. N. Johnson.....	H. E. Spornitz.....	1 and 3 Sat.
148 Quarry.....	Pipestone.....	" 11, '82	L. W. Henderson.....	Geo. D. Rice.....	Albert Hickman.....	Thos. C. Smith.....	1 and 3 Mon.
149 Guardian.....	Brownston.....	" 11, '82	Christ Nygaard.....	C. T. Hall.....	Henry Ewald.....	Isaac Cowle.....	1 and 3 Wed.
150 Warren.....	Warren.....	" 11, '82	Wm. J. Brown.....	Geo. E. Keenan.....	G. C. Winchester.....	C. A. Nelson.....	1 and 3 Wed.
151 Chaska.....	Chaska.....	" 11, '82	W. C. Odell.....	M. Melvin.....	G. A. Gatz.....	K. K. Klammer.....	2 and 4 Wed.
152 Frontier.....	Breckenridge.....	" 10, '83	D. J. Jones.....	C. C. Sparrow.....	P. E. Truax.....	B. W. Cole.....	1 and 3 Tues.
153 Kodahya.....	Browns Valley.....	" 10, '83	Theo. Harcum.....	G. Kirtelson.....	F. D. Smith.....	Silvanus Gordon.....	2 and 4 Tues.
154 Norman.....	Ada.....	" 10, '83	B. E. Dahlquist.....	O. Weygand.....	H. Jenkins.....	C. O. Simonson.....	2 and 4 Tues.
155 Tracy.....	Tracy.....	" 10, '83	Arthur H. Rowland.....	Eldredge B. Johnson.....	Howard A. Gosslee.....	Geo. W. Norris, Jr.....	1 and 3 Wed.
156 Wadena.....	Wadena.....	" 16, '84	John L. Egleston.....	Fulian A. Sedgwick.....	Emerson T. Carroll.....	Geo. M. Stowe.....	1 and 3 Fri.
157 Perham.....	Perham.....	" 16, '84	H. T. Pritchett.....	F. J. Braber.....	G. G. Daydon.....	L. M. Davison.....	2 and 4 Sat.
158 Hector.....	Hector.....	" 16, '84	H. L. Torbenson.....	A. B. Anderson.....	F. G. Blamerick, Jr.....	A. M. Britson.....	2 and 4 Mon.
159 Long Prairie.....	Long Prairie.....	" 14, '85	W. M. Barber.....	John E. Vilhers.....	C. W. Menard.....	N. C. Christensen.....	2 and 4 Fri.
160 Plymouth.....	Minnepolis.....	" 14, '85	Frank N. McCuskey.....	Frank M. Ackler.....	Norman R. Cushing.....	Geo. W. Hall.....	1 and 3 Mon.
161 Sincerity.....	Minneapolis.....	" 14, '85	A. W. Carpenter.....	A. C. Morse.....	H. E. West.....	D. W. Shean.....	1 and 3 Tues.
162 Prescott.....	German.....	" 14, '85	F. W. Wils.....	K. C. Ness.....	Paul S. Geddell.....	John T. Lideen.....	1 and 3 Tues.
163 Summit.....	St. Paul.....	" 14, '85	Fred H. Parker.....	I. H. Bates.....	W. B. Georgy.....	Robt. B. Ware.....	2 and 4 Fri.
164 Jasper.....	Rush City.....	" 13, '86	David A. Kendall.....	Andrew M. Matson.....	Geo. W. Nessel.....	James D. Markham.....	1 and 3 Sat.
165 Minnehaha.....	Minneapolis.....	" 13, '86	Benj. Sandys.....	H. S. Hanson.....	A. V. Manchester.....	H. S. Goff.....	2 and 4 Tues.
166 Garnet.....	White Bear.....	" 13, '86	C. E. Davis.....	T. L. Bourquin.....	I. C. McCreight.....	T. W. Bacon.....	2 and 4 Ths.
167 Agate.....	Campbell.....	" 13, '86	W. H. Arms.....	Ben. Baker.....	Chair Davidson.....	E. H. Elwin.....	1 and 3 Wed.
168 Braden.....	St. Paul.....	" 13, '86	Walter R. Wilson.....	John F. Pratt.....	Thos. P. McKay.....	Geo. W. Heaton.....	1 and 3 Ths.
169 Person.....	St. Paul.....	" 12, '87	H. McDewitt.....	O. S. Kinfeld.....	A. Guffy.....	A. L. Felde.....	1 and 3 Tues.
170 Sulta.....	St. Paul.....	" 12, '87	George Browning.....	John Bachman.....	Jesse A. Maxwell.....	Emil King.....	1 and 3 Tues.
171 Sheknaht.....	St. Paul.....	" 12, '88	Alfred W. Bailey.....	Robert B. Burns.....	Ross R. Miller.....	Chas. S. Schurman.....	1 and 3 Mon.
172 Marquette.....	St. Paul.....	" 12, '88	E. C. Sommermeyer.....	A. R. Silvermail.....	J. M. Snyder.....	C. J. Orton.....	2 and 4 Ths.
173 Plumb Line.....	Kimball.....	" 12, '88	I. G. Reeves.....	H. L. Moody.....	I. W. Baker.....	C. G. Sawyer.....	2 and 4 Sat.
174 Valley.....	Glenwood.....	" 12, '88	W. A. Simonton.....	W. J. Wyman.....	W. E. Rowland.....	G. F. Daugherty.....	2 and 4 Ths.
175 Raman Eagle.....	Adrian.....	" 12, '88	I. C. Becker.....	Chas. Shade.....	Fred Mohl.....	Edwin Erickson.....	1 and 3 Ths.
176 Ash.....	Minneapolis.....	" 12, '88	Wm. H. Germond.....	John C. Lauber.....	Louis W. Rowell.....	Eugene C. Noyes.....	1 and 3 Mon.
177 Rough Ashlar.....	Belle Plaine.....	" 12, '88	Paul Buctow.....	Fred J. Bohland.....	Wm. H. Kahle.....	Alfred E. Richardson.....	2 and 4 Mon.
178 Anchor.....	Royalton.....	" 12, '88	G. A. Hallenbeck.....	I. H. Miller.....	H. Knudson.....	H. H. Clifford.....	4 Sat.
179 King David.....	Elmore.....	" 17, '89	A. C. Stolte.....	A. H. McCoy.....	W. H. Leak.....	W. A. Bruss.....	1 and 3 Tues.
180 Osakis.....	Osakis.....	" 17, '89	S. M. Donaldson.....	G. E. Lamphear.....	Clyde W. Long.....	F. H. Borchert.....	2 and 4 Tues.
181 Dalles.....	Cloquet.....	" 17, '89	H. J. Danielson.....	H. J. Campbell.....	H. M. Dixon.....	C. B. Watkins.....	1 and 3 Ths.

182 Fairhaven.....	Annandale.....	Jan.	16	'90	Theo. A. Wirsing.....	Hurry Kurz.....	W. O. Sterling.....	W. D. McDonald.....	1 and 3 Sat.
184 Shell.....	Park Rapids.....	"	16	'90	J. D. Haradon.....	W. G. Wray.....	O. S. King.....	F. W. Rossman.....	1 and 3 Tue.
185 Midway.....	St. Paul.....	"	16	'90	Chas. N. Orr.....	Albert J. Wallace.....	Harry L. Bink.....	Ernest L. Allard.....	2 and 4 Fri.
186 Ionic.....	Duluth.....	"	16	'90	Carl F. Wiberg.....	Clarence B. Miller.....	Horatius S. Newell.....	Hugh R. Torgo.....	2 and 4 Mon.
187 Minneapolis.....	Minneapolis.....	"	16	'90	Henry A. Elber.....	Wm. A. Gulick.....	Chas. W. Ringier.....	John D. Tolman.....	2 and 4 Mon.
188 Fortitude.....	Two Harbors.....	"	16	'90	Orval G. Auer.....	Matthew Coughlin.....	J. F. Hildebrand.....	W. B. Woodward.....	2 and 4 Wed.
189 Traverse.....	Wheaton.....	"	16	'91	A. S. Fleming.....	Jared Burton.....	A. H. Diepferock.....	G. H. Kristensen.....	2 and 4 Tues.
190 Truene.....	St. Paul.....	"	16	'91	A. L. Williams.....	A. L. Ries.....	H. D. Kelly.....	Harry O. Williams.....	1 and 3 Tues.
191 Mizpah.....	South St. Paul.....	"	16	'91	F. L. Henderson.....	F. G. Michelmore.....	E. S. Van Slyke.....	F. J. Babcock.....	1 and 3 Tues.
192 Crow River.....	Belgrade.....	"	16	'91	Samuel H. Stauffer.....	John Greer.....	W. Stuart Leach.....	Geo. Ellingboe.....	1 and 3 Sat.
193 Amboy.....	Amboy.....	"	16	'91	J. H. Kinney.....	N. L. Linas.....	Frank P. Hudson.....	Murray Frego.....	1 and 3 Tues.
194 Canton.....	Canton.....	"	16	'91	Sam. Duxbury.....	Wm. Johnson.....	Geo. A. Lumley.....	E. Lambert.....	1 and 3 Tues.
195 Renville.....	Renville.....	"	16	'91	W. A. Lumley.....	N. L. Johnson.....	Geo. A. Lumley.....	Murray Frego.....	1 and 3 Tues.
196 Geneva.....	Madison.....	"	16	'91	Joseph Bauer.....	James Chalmers.....	Obert R. Nelson.....	E. J. Atkins.....	1 and 3 Tues.
197 Vermilion.....	West Duluth.....	"	16	'91	B. C. Candy.....	M. J. Murray.....	P. F. Chamberlain.....	W. J. Atkins.....	1 and 3 Tues.
198 Euclid.....	Tower.....	"	16	'91	E. G. Walander.....	C. J. Murray.....	M. M. Meldahl.....	Andrew Dunleavy.....	1 and 3 Wed.
199 Murray.....	Springfield.....	"	16	'91	W. E. Richardson.....	N. F. Nelson.....	H. G. Childs.....	Carl Peick.....	1 and 3 Sat.
200 Zenith.....	Kenyon.....	"	16	'91	Wm. Runck.....	Albert Mohr.....	Louis Wenzel.....	E. A. Brobeck.....	1 and 3 Sat.
201 Kenyon.....	Dawson.....	"	16	'91	Edmund Ratke.....	Geo. I. Vanstrom.....	Ed. Classey.....	T. B. Horton.....	1 and 3 Sat.
202 Atlester.....	Stewartville.....	"	16	'91	Chas. C. Hill.....	V. E. Smith.....	F. E. Bullard.....	M. D. Martin.....	1 and 3 Sat.
203 Stewartville.....	Jasper.....	"	16	'91	Andrew Ratke.....	I. H. Bong.....	L. A. Dinkle.....	A. M. Maloy.....	1 and 3 Sat.
204 St. Elmo.....	Wayzata.....	"	16	'91	H. G. Baudon.....	I. H. Headley.....	H. C. Camp.....	A. H. Hayman.....	1 and 3 Sat.
205 Wayzata.....	Staples.....	"	16	'91	D. M. Gagn.....	W. D. Powers.....	E. P. Costain.....	E. A. Freeman.....	1 and 3 Sat.
206 Crescent.....	Grand Rapids.....	"	16	'91	Elmer Strout.....	Samuel E. Linsley.....	Chas. W. Quandt.....	Wm. Yoerg.....	1 and 3 Sat.
207 Itasca.....	Sibley.....	"	16	'91	F. A. Cooler.....	C. L. Burrill.....	A. J. Moe.....	H. S. Kirk.....	1 and 3 Sat.
208 Sibley.....	Winthrop.....	"	16	'91	Chas. D. Catlin.....	Jos. P. Dean.....	Chas. S. Pierce.....	William Cox.....	1 and 3 Sat.
209 Sibley.....	Heron Lake.....	"	16	'91	Andrew Holmer.....	A. P. F. Suffer.....	J. H. Bradish.....	G. Goodman.....	1 and 3 Sat.
210 Columbian.....	Gracerville.....	"	16	'91	P. Bengtson.....	John E. Nelson.....	Samuel J. Warren.....	John H. MacDonald.....	1 and 3 Sat.
211 FriendShip.....	Hallock.....	"	16	'91	Freeman E. Kreech.....	Robert Donaldson.....	H. E. Alstead.....	P. L. Mathison.....	1 and 3 Sat.
212 Hallock.....	Itkin.....	"	16	'91	David Dundas.....	John Kane.....	Art. J. Marsh.....	Victor Tiedt.....	1 and 3 Sat.
213 Mystic.....	Evansville.....	"	16	'91	Wm. N. Cayott.....	A. H. Lowe.....	W. E. Hanson.....	W. O. Dillingham.....	1 and 3 Sat.
214 Evansville.....	Evansville.....	"	16	'91	Wm. N. Cayott.....	Simon Oster.....	Jos. G. Moravec.....	Charles Mitchell.....	1 and 3 Sat.
215 Argyle.....	Florence.....	"	16	'91	Lewis F. Smith.....	Chas. F. Emrich.....	Amel Werner.....	S. B. Pape.....	1 and 3 Sat.
216 Argyle.....	Word Lake.....	"	16	'91	E. E. McGrew.....	R. L. Blackman.....	C. P. McIntyre.....	J. M. Peckinpaugh.....	1 and 3 Sat.
217 Capital City.....	St. Paul.....	"	16	'91	Wm. F. Schaefer.....	L. H. Wilson.....	T. A. Linde.....	C. B. Fraser.....	1 and 3 Sat.
218 Griswold.....	Dassel.....	"	16	'91	F. W. Laingen.....	Jas. Gulbrith.....	Wm. Warburton.....	J. W. Root.....	1 and 3 Sat.
219 Mt. Hermon.....	Hancock.....	"	16	'91	R. F. Coon.....	R. N. Gordon.....	Wm. Warburton.....	Henry Rines.....	1 and 3 Sat.
220 Olivia.....	Cottonwood.....	"	16	'91	Wm. M. Pope.....	Benj. McPherson.....	Leman L. Fish.....	Victor H. Stough.....	1 and 3 Sat.
221 Equity.....	Mora.....	"	16	'91	Richard B. Hazard.....	Irvin P. Jones.....	F. W. Rinke.....	Geo. R. Kuegel.....	1 and 3 Sat.
222 Elysian.....	Mora.....	"	16	'91	A. J. Gebhard.....	L. Redding.....	F. W. Rinke.....	Geo. R. Kuegel.....	1 and 3 Sat.
223 Minnesota.....	Minneapolis.....	"	16	'91	H. P. Bacon.....	W. S. Foster.....	Harry Eberhardt.....	Lloyd G. Sperry.....	1 and 3 Sat.
224 Minnesota.....	Minneapolis.....	"	16	'91	J. E. Peterson.....	P. G. Stahl.....	O. A. Terry.....	O. G. Sanders.....	1 and 3 Sat.
225 Justice.....	Minneapolis.....	"	16	'91	G. E. Cornish.....	A. W. Morris.....	L. S. Smith.....	W. K. Jacoby.....	1 and 3 Sat.
226 Linton.....	Elbow Lake.....	"	16	'91	Geo. W. Nutter.....	C. W. Tinker.....	C. R. Donaldson.....	O. E. Smith.....	1 and 3 Sat.
227 Park Region.....	Vernon Center.....	"	16	'91	William Anderson.....	John W. Johnson.....	Henry Marsden.....	W. J. Grady.....	1 and 3 Sat.
228 Park Region.....	Stewart.....	"	16	'91	Frank Collins.....	Wm. Masters.....	C. E. Sandin.....	C. F. Mickelson.....	1 and 3 Sat.
229 Stewart.....	Hendrum.....	"	16	'91	Frank Collins.....	Wm. Masters.....	C. E. Sandin.....	C. F. Mickelson.....	1 and 3 Sat.
230 Stewart.....	Stewart.....	"	16	'91	Frank Collins.....	Wm. Masters.....	C. E. Sandin.....	C. F. Mickelson.....	1 and 3 Sat.
231 Alpha.....	Magnolia.....	"	16	'91	Frank Collins.....	Wm. Masters.....	C. E. Sandin.....	C. F. Mickelson.....	1 and 3 Sat.

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Name of Lodge	Location	Date of Charter	Worshipful Master	Senior Warden	Junior Warden	Secretary	Time of Meeting
232 Chicago	North Branch	Jan. 18, '00	O. Stenberg	Theo. Martin	C. E. Havens	Geo. H. Herreid	1 and 3 Wed.
233 Bemidji	Bemidji	" 24, '01	E. N. French	W. B. Stewart	D. H. Fisk	M. A. Clark	1 and 3 Wed.
234 Sandstone	Sandstone	" 24, '01	Henry P. Webb	Arnold Kelley	Homor P. Dredge	Mark E. Robey	1 and 3 Fri.
235 Edgerton	Edgerton	" 24, '01	Frank E. Douty	Arnold Pilling	Robt. E. Thomas	Herman DeBoer	1 and 3 Fri.
236 Northern	Thief Riv. Falls	" 24, '01	W. B. Fuller	B. Christianson	J. L. Durbin	E. E. Baker	2 and 4 Mon.
237 Albert Pike	Hopkins	" 24, '01	David K. Yorgey	A. W. Cooper	C. B. Waddell	Frank K. Wade	1 and 3 Wed.
238 Equality	Minnesota	" 23, '02	P. O. French	B. H. Glusman	H. G. Johnson	A. G. Dahmann	1 and 3 Wed.
239 Eveleth	Eveleth	" 23, '02	J. C. Poole	W. H. Plummer	D. A. Springer	M. W. Burt, Jr.	1 and 3 Wed.
240 Astor	Lester Prairie	" 23, '02	Ovett L. Day	Felton Volmer	J. J. Buska	L. R. Linn	2 and 4 Sat.
241 Prairie	Prairie	" 23, '02	Edward F. Gummer	Geo. W. Clayton	Samuel S. Jones	Pertz C. Peterson	2 and 4 Sat.
242 Ruthon	Ruthon	" 23, '02	J. F. Carlson	G. E. Jorgenson	Geo. R. Stevens	Christ Jensen	2 and 4 Tues.
243 Cass	Cass Lake	" 23, '02	Geo. E. Marshall	J. E. Lundrigan	D. L. Stanton	P. M. Larson	1 and 3 Tues.
244 Wadena	Wadena	" 23, '02	G. S. Willard	D. E. Skvawk	M. T. Cadwell	E. C. Jones, Jr.	1 and 3 Tues.
245 Wabasso	Wabasso	" 23, '03	Emil Howe	D. E. Billington	G. L. Gossle	W. A. Hauck	2 and 4 Tues.
246 Mesaba	Sandborn	" 22, '03	Fred E. Gleason	F. W. Stevens	L. A. Berg	Angus D. McKee	1 and 3 Fri.
247 Moritz	Hendricks	" 22, '03	Frank E. Smith	C. Swenson	Carl J. Johnson	A. J. Forsell	1 and 3 Tues.
248 Raymond	Raymond	" 22, '03	Frank E. Hannah	A. G. Curtis	John R. Orth	Chas. F. Malm	2 and 4 Sat.
249 Barto	Lakefield	" 22, '03	T. Grondlund	B. C. Knutsen	M. A. Levenick	H. M. Clark	1 and 3 Ths.
250 Lakefield	Lakefield	" 22, '03	T. Grondlund	B. C. Knutsen	M. A. Levenick	P. D. Christensen	1 and 3 Ths.
251 McKinley	Tyler	" 22, '03	T. Grondlund	B. C. Knutsen	M. A. Levenick	F. W. Orth	1 and 3 Ths.
252 Morton	Morton	" 22, '03	T. Grondlund	B. C. Knutsen	M. A. Levenick	F. H. Vandenoever	1 and 3 Ths.
253 Dexter	Dexter	" 22, '03	T. Grondlund	B. C. Knutsen	M. A. Levenick	O. A. Erickson	2 and 4 Wed.
254 Lake Park	Lake Park	" 22, '03	T. Grondlund	B. C. Knutsen	M. A. Levenick	F. A. Wildes	2 and 4 Ths.
255 Mesaba	Hibbing	" 22, '03	T. Grondlund	B. C. Knutsen	M. A. Levenick	Fred Herring	2 and 4 Wed.
256 Hawley	Hawley	" 22, '03	T. Grondlund	B. C. Knutsen	M. A. Levenick	E. E. Stone	2 and 4 Thurs.
257 Fellowship	North St. Paul	Jan. 21, '04	Herbert Glaisher	C. W. B. Ellis	Urich Wreider	Henry R. Blinn	1 and 2 Tues.
258 Montgomery	St. Paul	" 21, '04	Carl M. Hoppe	R. A. Vosburgh	W. M. Adams	L. C. Adams	1 and 2 Tues.
259 Berry	Akeley	" 19, '05	Norman W. Foster	C. C. Hunter	William Norton	C. F. Bassett	1 and 2 Tues.
260 Truth	Briceley	" 19, '05	C. B. Beale	J. N. Bauman	Chas. F. Bassett	C. W. Adams	1 and 2 Tues.
261 Fairfax	Fairfax	" 18, '06	A. B. Riecke	A. M. Wallace	H. T. Hanson	C. W. Adams	1 and 2 Tues.
262 Lake Wilson	Lake Wilson	" 18, '06	Robt. B. Forrest	Wm. Scott	A. S. Peters	Martin Horst	1 and 2 Tues.
263 Tusler	St. Paul	" 18, '06	Oscar H. Turner	Chas. H. Crowe	Edmond I. Shook	R. J. Furber	1 and 2 Tues.
264 Virginia	Virginia	" 18, '06	Chas. B. Lemont	John H. Crowe	Ammon G. Bush	W. J. Furber	1 and 2 Tues.
265 Compass	Robbinsdale	" 18, '06	Geo. E. Swift	B. C. Crandall	Geo. O. Schmidt	Willard S. Randall	2 and 4 Mon.
266 Onyx	Westbrook	" 18, '06	Victor L. Miller	V. D. Offins	O. P. Schmidt	I. A. Pearson	2 and 4 Mon.
267 Warroad	Warroad	" 24, '07	Thos. L. Jones	Thos. H. Roundy	John A. Larson	Roy L. Foxson	1 Wed.
268 Roseau	Roseau	" 23, '08	J. B. Muir	Geo. M. Stebbins	R. H. Medcraft	T. J. Thompson	2 and 4 Mon.
269 Eagle Bend	Eagle Bend	" 23, '08	Joel E. Roman	Wm. H. Byman	P. H. McCormick	W. A. Sleeper	2 and 4 Mon.

*Saturday preceding full moon, †Wednesday of week of full moon.

§Saturday before full moon and two weeks thereafter.

||Monday of week moon fulls.

APPENDIX D.—LODGES LOST OR CHANGED, WITH CAUSE.

№	Lodge.	Town.	County.	Date of Charter.	Cause of Being Stricken from Roll.
3	St. Paul.....	St. Paul.....	Ramsey	Feb. 24, 1853	Charter surrendered, accepted by Grand Lodge Jan. 9, 1856, and restored to second St. Paul, No. 3, Jan. 18, 1900.
3	St. Paul.....	St. Paul.....	Ramsey	Jan. 10, 1856	Charter surrendered Jan. 18, 1900, and charter of Feb. 24, 1853, accepted in its place.
6	Shakopee	Shakopee	Scott	Jan. 2, 1855	Charter arrested in October, 1859, and surrendered in 1860.
9	Faribault	Faribault	Rice	Jan. 6, 1857	Charter arrested early in 1863; restored in October, 1864; surrendered June 1, 1865, and restored to second Faribault, No. 9, Jan. 18, 1906.
10	Pacific	St. Paul.....	Ramsey	Jan. 6, 1857	Charter surrendered Dec. 27, 1861.
13	Henderson	Henderson	Sibley	Jan. 6, 1857	Charter arrested early in 1859, and surrendered in 1860.
15	St. Cloud.....	St. Cloud.....	Stearns	Jan. 6, 1857	Charter surrendered in 1860.
17	Hokah.....	Hokah.....	Houston	Jan. 8, 1857	Charter arrested in 1859, and surrendered in 1860.
25	Meridian	Chatfield	Fillmore	Oct. 27, 1853	Charter surrendered June 25, 1906.
35	Mount Moriah ..	Hastings	Dakota	Oct. 24, 1880	Charter surrendered with Dakota, No. 7, Dec. 27, 1905.
53	Faribault	Faribault	Rice	Oct. 25, 1885	Consolidated with Dakota, No. 7, Dec. 27, 1905.
65	Golden Rule.....	Lakeland	Washington	Oct. 23, 1867	Changed to No. 9, Jan. 15, 1869, by Grand Lodge; charter surrendered and exchanged for original charter of No. 9, Jan. 18, 1906.
68	Northern Light...	Fort Garry.....	Manitoba	Oct. 23, 1867	Charter surrendered Feb. 14, 1906.
70	Forest City.....	Forest City.....	Meeker	Oct. 23, 1867	U. D. at Pembina and Fort Garry from September, 1863; charter never delivered.
73	Brownsville	Brownsville	Houston	Jan. 15, 1869	Charter surrendered May 12, 1905.
74	Minneiska	Minneiska	Wabasha	Jan. 15, 1869	Charter surrendered by fire in 1881, and not reissued.
88	Yellowstone.....	Fort Buford.....	Dakota Ter..	Jan. 10, 1872	Charter surrendered June 6, 1874; members mostly soldiers.
105	Shiloh	Fargo	Dakota Ter..	Jan. 14, 1874	Permission given to transfer to Grand Lodge of Dakota in January, 1880.
107	Adoniram	Dover	Olmstead	Jan. 14, 1874	Charter surrendered in November, 1880.
120	Bismarck	Bismarck	Dakota Ter..	Jan. 11, 1876	Transferred allegiance to Grand Lodge of Dakota in December, 1880.
127	Centennial	Delano	Wright	Jan. 10, 1876	Charter arrested in September, 1886, and never restored.
130	Arcturian	Red Wing.....	Goodhue	Jan. 16, 1878	Charter arrested with Red Wing, No. 8, April 21, 1897.
183	Pelican Rapids...	Pelican Rapids...	Otter Tail...	Jan. 16, 1880	Charter forfeited Jan. 16, 1886, and surrendered Sept. 6, 1896.
206	Fosston.....	Fosston.....	Polk.....	Jan. 12, 1893	Charter Surrendered Dec. 28, 1906.

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																	For 1907	Paid Grand Secretary			
1	St. Johns	Stillwater	175	10	10	10	9	2	14	4	5	12		3	7	182	\$97.00	\$97.00	\$680.50	\$2,736.77	
2	Catawba	Minneapolis	542	34	31	42	20	1	53	31	3	16		11	28	567	302.60	302.60	74.00	272.00	
3	St. Paul	St. Paul	385	42	40	43	4	5	47	3	9	7		8	27	405	268.20	268.20	393.00	4,074.95	
4	Hennepin	Minneapolis	362	22	22	23	24	5	31	2	3			16	23	370	203.60	203.60	341.75	9,848.14	\$554.00
5	Ancient Landmark	St. Paul	527	39	33	33	6		39	19	19			35	531	303.00	303.00	1,112.00	11,768.58		
7	Dakota	Hastings	182		1	1	3		11	5	3			1	4	179	75.20	75.20	125.00	3,970.00	
8	Red Wing	Red Wing	146	11	11	11	11		16	7	3			3	8	149	88.20	88.20	180.00	12,820.00	6,380.00
9	Faribault	Faribault	173	6	6	6	6	1	16	7	3			12	177	85.60	85.60	92.50	5,726.43	40.00	
11	Mantorville	Mantorville	175	5	8	8	4		12	4	1			3	9	63	39.80	41.00	76.50	11,764.14	4,243.00
12	Mankato	Mankato	68	74	14	17	20	7	27	15	3			1	6	65	32.80	32.80	120.00	2,464.09	
14	Wapahaska	Wabasha	74	14	17	20	7	1	2	3	3			8	14	369	187.80	187.80	480.00	12,500.00	
16	Monticello	Monticello	356	18	14	17	5	31	87	15	3			22	37	1137	579.80	579.80	1,480.50	20,390.48	
18	Winona	Winona	1087	53	52	54	31	2	27	3	3			4	8	176	111.40	111.40	232.00	650.00	
20	Caledonia	Caledonia	162	14	18	17	5		22	3	3			4	8	176	111.40	111.40	84.00	2,941.86	
21	Rochester	Rochester	58	3	2	2	2		13	5	5			1	3	57	29.00	29.00	51.00	916.83	
22	Pleasant Grove	Pleasant Grove	154	10	10	10	2	1	13	5	5			1	3	162	89.60	89.60	500.00	1,500.00	
23	North Star	St. Cloud	36	3	3	3	2		10	2	1			4	9	224	111.60	111.60	36.00	295.94	
24	Wilton	Alma City	223	11	7	7	8	2	10	5	5			1	4	35	21.80	21.80	36.00	494.50	
26	Western Star	Alma Lea	83	9	8	5	4		2	2	4			1	6	51	48.80	48.80	65.00	775.00	176.50
27	Blue Earth Valley	Winnebago City	55	3	2	2	4		2	2	4			1	6	51	48.80	48.80	55.00	6,446.50	
28	Clear Water	Clear Water	55	3	2	2	4		2	2	4			1	6	51	48.80	48.80	55.00	6,446.50	
29	Morning Star	La Crescent	55	3	2	2	4		2	2	4			1	6	51	48.80	48.80	55.00	6,446.50	
30	Anoka	Anoka	139	3	3	1	3		5	3	3			1	5	139	60.60	60.60	115.00	1,889.77	
31	King Hiram	Jordan	47	2	2	2	3		5	3	3			1	5	139	60.60	60.60	115.00	1,889.77	
32	Sakatah	Waterville	63	2	2	2	3		5	3	3			1	5	136	63.40	63.40	33.00	700.14	
33	Star in the East	Owatonna	135	15	3	3	2	1	16	3	3			2	12	368	68.00	68.00	548.00	1,000.00	150.00
34	Star in the East	Cannon Falls	71	14	6	6	3	1	13	4	4			2	15	382	68.00	68.00	89.75	2,771.81	
36	Preston	Preston	83	8	6	6	3	1	10	4	4			3	7	86	50.80	52.20	155.00	3,550.00	
37	Mystic Tie	Pine Island	33	2	2	2	3		6	3	3			2	5	86	50.80	52.20	55.00	543.45	25.00
38	Washington	West Concord	57	19	19	20	6	1	27	11	11			2	14	240	29.20	29.20	140.00	2,320.33	
39	Fidelity	Austin	219	19	19	20	6	1	27	11	11			2	14	240	29.20	29.20	140.00	2,320.33	
40	Carnelian	Lake City	112	11	9	9	1		10	2	2			3	6	116	71.40	71.40	52.50	2,177.42	

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NUMBER	NAME OF LODGE	LOCATION	MEMBERS		INITIATED	PASSED	RAISED	JOINED	RESTORED	TOTAL GAIN	WITHDRAWN	STRICKEN FROM ROLL	SUSPENDED	EXPELLED	DIED	TOTAL LOSS	MEMBERS JAN. 1, 1908	FEES AND DUES		LODGE DUES UNPAID	OTHER LODGE ASSETS	LODGE LIABILITY
			JAN. 1, 1907	JAN. 1, 1908														For 1907	Paid Grand Secretary			
94	Keystone.	Sleepy Eye.	68	68	5	4	4	...	...	4	1	2	...	...	1	4	68	\$38.60	\$38.60	\$100.00	\$3,806.00	\$972.80
95	Sherburne.	Elk River.	69	77	11	13	14	5	...	10	1	3	...	...	3	6	77	63.20	63.20	90.00	1,063.60	360.97
96	Libanus.	St. James.	63	72	9	5	6	1	...	7	3	3	...	...	1	4	72	41.80	41.80	223.40	360.97	7,150.00
97	Prudence.	Windom.	84	87	9	6	6	1	...	6	3	1	...	...	1	4	87	53.00	53.00	207.50	12,066.34	5,047.00
98	Charity.	New Ulm.	87	89	4	3	4	...	...	7	4	3	...	...	4	4	89	51.20	51.20	761.00	5,047.00	1,350.00
99	Corner Stone.	Fergus Falls.	142	145	3	4	5	2	...	22	3	3	...	...	3	6	145	67.20	67.20	450.00	2,800.00	967.90
100	Aurora.	Brainerd.	204	220	22	19	20	1	...	22	3	3	...	...	3	6	220	140.20	140.20	333.00	2,800.00	137.15
101	Fraternity.	Worthington.	83	81	...	...	...	1	...	3	4	1	...	...	1	5	81	32.00	32.00	200.00	967.90	137.15
102	Lebanon.	Lanesboro.	37	34	...	...	...	...	...	3	4	2	...	...	2	3	34	14.60	15.00	140.00	1,240.37	1,383.00
103	Bethel.	Lake Crystal.	83	85	...	...	...	...	...	8	4	...	...	...	...	6	85	34.80	34.80	240.00	1,383.00	2,369.06
104	Sharon.	Willmar.	124	172	13	13	13	...	...	3	4	...	...	...	...	4	172	34.80	34.80	164.50	2,369.06	742.00
106	Mt. Tabor.	Detroit.	62	63	...	...	...	...	...	6	3	...	...	...	...	3	63	33.60	33.60	439.00	2,369.06	3,933.27
108	Relief.	Dodge Center.	126	126	...	...	...	...	...	6	4	...	...	...	...	4	126	32.00	32.00	206.50	3,933.27	11.20
109	Sunset.	Montevideo.	93	99	...	...	...	...	...	3	4	...	...	...	...	4	99	11.20	11.20	30.00	250.00	2,807.84
110	Pickwick.	Pickwick.	93	99	...	...	...	...	...	3	4	...	...	...	...	4	99	11.20	11.20	30.00	250.00	2,807.84
111	Carver.	Carver.	223	244	54	54	53	1	...	15	7	...	...	...	...	0	244	328.60	328.60	487.75	15,347.75	1,200.00
112	Khurum.	Minneapolis.	427	484	54	54	53	1	...	15	7	...	...	...	...	0	484	328.60	328.60	487.75	15,347.75	1,200.00
113	Excelsior.	Excelsior.	73	82	12	13	13	1	...	12	3	1	...	...	1	4	82	64.80	64.80	124.35	1,200.00	1,600.00
114	Ben Franklin.	Laverne.	65	57	...	...	...	...	...	6	1	...	...	...	...	1	57	31.20	31.20	70.00	2,607.13	636.00
115	Eigna.	Brownsville.	53	61	...	...	...	...	...	6	1	...	...	...	...	1	61	28.60	28.60	150.00	2,607.13	636.00
116	Lafayette.	Granite Falls.	58	61	...	...	...	...	...	6	1	...	...	...	...	1	61	28.60	28.60	150.00	2,607.13	636.00
117	Granite.	Granite Falls.	58	61	...	...	...	...	...	6	1	...	...	...	...	1	61	28.60	28.60	150.00	2,607.13	636.00
118	Newport.	Newport.	46	45	...	...	...	...	...	9	3	...	...	...	...	2	45	18.00	18.00	35.00	870.16	352.99
119	Delta.	Delta.	137	142	7	7	9	2	...	11	3	...	...	...	3	6	142	75.40	75.40	370.00	1,000.00	1,390.00
121	Grass Meadow.	Grass Meadow.	37	31	...	...	...	...	...	11	3	...	...	...	...	3	31	13.60	13.60	28.00	1,390.00	1,425.00
122	Kellogg.	Kellogg.	31	34	...	...	...	...	...	5	3	...	...	...	...	3	34	12.40	12.40	48.00	1,425.00	1,425.00
123	Prairie.	Bloomington.	58	63	...	...	...	...	...	5	3	...	...	...	...	3	63	29.20	29.20	130.00	645.00	134.00
124	Lanesville.	Lanesville.	75	71	...	...	...	...	...	5	6	...	...	...	...	8	71	34.20	34.20	136.00	645.00	134.00
125	Winslow Lewis.	Osseo.	46	47	...	...	...	...	...	5	6	...	...	...	...	8	47	17.60	17.60	130.00	3,429.70	35.00
126	Moorhead.	Moorhead.	81	85	...	...	...	...	...	9	3	...	...	...	...	1	85	57.40	57.40	286.00	3,429.70	35.00
128	Josephus.	Marquette.	55	63	...	...	...	...	...	9	3	...	...	...	...	1	63	27.20	27.20	150.00	4,350.00	1,800.00
129	Swift.	Benson.	55	63	...	...	...	...	...	9	3	...	...	...	...	3	63	27.20	27.20	150.00	4,350.00	1,800.00
1	Alma.	Lyle.	47	46	...	...	...	...	...	9	3	...	...	...	...	1	46	19.40	19.40	77.20	524.38	26.69

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																	For 1907	Paid Grand Secretary			
176	Ark.	Minneapolis.	353	33	34	34	16	1	51	17	1	1	1	6	13	391	\$237.00	\$237.00	\$329.75	\$7,988.14	
177	Rough Ashlar.	Belle Plaine.	38	2	2	1	1	1	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	30	16.20	16.20	38.00	178.76	.....
178	Anchor.	Royalton.	38	2	3	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	38	16.20	16.20	38.00	178.76	.....
179	King David.	Elmore.	43	2	3	3	1	1	5	1	1	1	1	1	1	50	26.80	26.80	140.00	238.81	.....
180	Oskis.	Osakis.	43	7	6	6	1	1	7	1	1	1	1	1	1	151	21.80	21.80	100.00	246.81	\$26.00
181	Pales.	Cloquet.	149	30	1	5	6	1	7	1	1	1	1	1	1	151	21.80	21.80	100.00	246.81	.....
182	Fair Haven.	Amundale.	30	1	1	1	1	1	7	1	1	1	1	1	1	35	16.40	16.40	589.23	4,633.72	.....
183	Shel.	St. Paul.	81	4	5	5	1	1	7	1	1	1	1	1	1	86	46.80	46.80	304.75	599.67	.....
184	Midway.	St. Paul.	89	6	18	12	1	1	14	1	1	1	1	1	1	101	46.80	46.80	304.75	599.67	.....
185	Fortune.	St. Paul.	402	20	18	18	14	1	33	18	1	1	1	1	1	418	208.00	210.00	1,458.00	17,463.14	8,502.63
186	Fortune.	St. Paul.	153	25	14	14	10	1	24	18	1	1	1	1	1	173	112.60	112.60	500.00	1,701.00	6,400.00
187	Fortune.	St. Paul.	100	4	1	1	1	1	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	100	51.00	51.00	280.00	1,701.00	.....
188	Fortune.	St. Paul.	100	4	1	1	1	1	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	100	51.00	51.00	280.00	1,701.00	.....
189	Fortune.	St. Paul.	100	4	1	1	1	1	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	100	51.00	51.00	280.00	1,701.00	.....
190	Fortune.	St. Paul.	100	4	1	1	1	1	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	100	51.00	51.00	280.00	1,701.00	.....
191	Fortune.	St. Paul.	100	4	1	1	1	1	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	100	51.00	51.00	280.00	1,701.00	.....
192	Fortune.	St. Paul.	100	4	1	1	1	1	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	100	51.00	51.00	280.00	1,701.00	.....
193	Fortune.	St. Paul.	100	4	1	1	1	1	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	100	51.00	51.00	280.00	1,701.00	.....
194	Fortune.	St. Paul.	100	4	1	1	1	1	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	100	51.00	51.00	280.00	1,701.00	.....
195	Fortune.	St. Paul.	100	4	1	1	1	1	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	100	51.00	51.00	280.00	1,701.00	.....
196	Fortune.	St. Paul.	100	4	1	1	1	1	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	100	51.00	51.00	280.00	1,701.00	.....
197	Fortune.	St. Paul.	100	4	1	1	1	1	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	100	51.00	51.00	280.00	1,701.00	.....
198	Fortune.	St. Paul.	100	4	1	1	1	1	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	100	51.00	51.00	280.00	1,701.00	.....
199	Fortune.	St. Paul.	100	4	1	1	1	1	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	100	51.00	51.00	280.00	1,701.00	.....
200	Fortune.	St. Paul.	100	4	1	1	1	1	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	100	51.00	51.00	280.00	1,701.00	.....
201	Fortune.	St. Paul.	100	4	1	1	1	1	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	100	51.00	51.00	280.00	1,701.00	.....
202	Fortune.	St. Paul.	100	4	1	1	1	1	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	100	51.00	51.00	280.00	1,701.00	.....
203	Fortune.	St. Paul.	100	4	1	1	1	1	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	100	51.00	51.00	280.00	1,701.00	.....
204	Fortune.	St. Paul.	100	4	1	1	1	1	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	100	51.00	51.00	280.00	1,701.00	.....
205	Fortune.	St. Paul.	100	4	1	1	1	1	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	100	51.00	51.00	280.00	1,701.00	.....
206	Fortune.	St. Paul.	100	4	1	1	1	1	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	100	51.00	51.00	280.00	1,701.00	.....
207	Fortune.	St. Paul.	100	4	1	1	1	1	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	100	51.00	51.00	280.00	1,701.00	.....
208	Fortune.	St. Paul.	100	4	1	1	1	1	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	100	51.00	51.00	280.00	1,701.00	.....
209	Fortune.	St. Paul.	100	4	1	1	1	1	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	100	51.00	51.00	280.00	1,701.00	.....
210	Fortune.	St. Paul.	100	4	1	1	1	1	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	100	51.00	51.00	280.00	1,701.00	.....

211	Friendship	46	3	7	9	5	3	1	1	5	6	1	12	39	23	40	147	522	19	
212	Hallock	58	7	9	5	5	3	6	1	6	1	1	16	58	38	80	125	1491	50	
213	Mystic	70	5	5	5	5	6	9	9	6	1	1	2	71	54	20	180	1531	83	
214	Evansville	26	5	5	5	5	6	9	9	6	1	1	2	32	78	80	36	260	97	
215	Argyle	48	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	37	80	175	175	2773	81	
216	Florence	38	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	37	80	168	168	685	40	
217	Capital City	77	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	37	80	139	139	852	63	
218	Griswold	79	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	37	80	199	199	675	00	
219	Mt. Hermon	24	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	37	80	9	9	357	21	
220	Hancock	39	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	3	37	80	54	54	500	79	
221	Olivia	33	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	37	80	44	44	208	16	
222	Cottonwood	33	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	37	80	200	200	471	28	
223	Elysian	31	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	37	80	26	26	3478	00	
224	Mora	47	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	37	80	155	155	287	35	
225	Minnesota	296	16	18	19	19	19	19	19	19	19	19	15	307	155	24	24	3478	00	
226	Justice	36	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	3	39	96	60	60	287	35	
227	Lincoln	54	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	3	39	96	60	60	425	29	
228	Park Region	52	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	3	39	96	60	60	315	52	
229	Vernon Center	38	9	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	3	39	96	60	60	315	52	
230	Stewart	30	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	39	96	60	60	315	52	
231	Alpha	23	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	3	39	96	60	60	315	52	
232	Magnolia	64	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	3	39	96	60	60	315	52	
233	Chicago	49	8	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	7	61	31	80	82	216	66	
234	Bemidji	85	14	18	21	21	21	21	21	21	21	21	6	102	85	126	126	640	60	
235	Sandstone	42	6	5	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	2	47	85	126	126	640	60	
236	Edgerton	15	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	2	47	85	126	126	640	60	
237	Northern	58	19	16	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	3	19	17	60	80	80	00	
238	Albert Pike	155	9	6	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	3	163	72	80	170	10,000	04	
239	Equality	24	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	26	82	80	84	13,461	03	
240	Eveleth	110	10	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	2	115	69	20	114	357	03	
241	Astra	25	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	115	69	20	114	357	03	
242	Frazee	45	17	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	2	25	11	00	36	2,592	88	
243	Ruthon	29	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	56	43	00	36	458	91	
244	Cass	58	12	9	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	3	56	43	00	36	458	91	
245	Wabasso	41	9	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	3	56	43	00	36	458	91	
246	Fides	22	11	8	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	2	67	44	20	148	625	25	
247	Morality	31	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	2	48	40	00	74	50	826	61
248	Raymond	28	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	2	26	33	00	44	507	42	
249	Barto	34	4	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	4	34	22	00	22	300	917	37
250	Lakefield	32	8	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	1	25	15	60	36	342	84	
251	McKinley	35	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	1	26	18	80	41	800	86	
252	Morton	31	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	1	35	21	60	81	500	00	
253	Dexter	21	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	1	38	35	00	81	500	00	
254	Dexter	21	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	1	38	35	00	81	500	00	
255	Dexter	21	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	1	38	35	00	81	500	00	
256	Dexter	21	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	1	38	35	00	81	500	00	
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263	Dexter	21	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	1	38	35	00	81	500	00	
264	Dexter	21	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	1	38	35	00	81	500	00	
265	Dexter	21	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	1	38	35	00	81	500	00	
266	Dexter	21	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	1	38	35	00	81	500	00	
267	Dexter	21	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	1	38	35	00	81	500	00	
268	Dexter	21	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	1	38	35	00	81	500	00	
269	Dexter	21	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	1	38	35	00	81	500	00	
270	Dexter	21	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	1	38	35	00	81	500	00	
271	Dexter	21	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	1	38	35	00	81	500	00	
272	Dexter	21	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	1	38	35	00	81	500	00	
273	Dexter	21	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	1	38	35	00	81	500	00	
274	Dexter	21	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	1	38	35	00	81	500	00	
275	Dexter	21	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	1	38	35	00	81	500	00	
276	Dexter	21	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	1	38	35	00	81	500	00	
277	Dexter	21	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	1	38	35	00	81	500	00	
278	Dexter	21	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	1	38	35	00	81	500	00	
279	Dexter	21	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	1	38	35	00	81	500	00	
280	Dexter	21	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	1	38	35	00	81	500	00	
281	Dexter	21	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	1	38	35	00	81	500	00	
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283	Dexter	21	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	1	38	35	00	81	500	00	
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292	Dexter	21	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	1	38	35	00	81	500	00	
293	Dexter	21	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	1	38	35	00	81	500	00	
294	Dexter	21	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	1	38	35	00	81	500	00	
295	Dexter	21	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	1	38	35	00	81	500	00	
296	Dexter	21	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	1	38	35	00	81	500	00	
297	Dexter	21	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	1	38	35	00	81	500	00	
298	Dexter	21	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	1	38	35	00	81	500	00	
299	Dexter	21	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	1	38	35	00	81	500	00	
300	Dexter	21	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	1	38	35	00	81	500	00	

APPENDIX E—ABSTRACT OF LODGE RETURNS FOR 1907.—Continued.

NUMBER	NAME OF LODGE	LOCATION	MEMBERS JAN. 1, 1907	INITIATED	PASSED	RAISED	JOINED	RESTORED	TOTAL GAIN	WITHDRAWN	STRICKEN FROM ROLL	SUSPENDED	EXPELLED	DIED	TOTAL LOSS	MEMBERS JAN. 1, 1908	FEES AND DUES		LODGE DUES UNPAID	OTHER LODGE ASSETS	LODGE LIABIL- ITIES
																	For 1907	Paid Grand Secretary			
254	Lake Park.....	Lake Park.....	56	3	3	3	3	1	3	3	3	3	3	1	4	55	\$27.80	\$27.80	\$73.50	\$612.90	\$165.00
255	Mesaba.....	Hibbing.....	116	11	6	6	6	3	3	3	3	3	3	1	1	122	71.20	71.40	381.60	13,361.60	9,118.75
256	Hawley.....	Hawley.....	37	7	6	6	6	3	3	3	3	3	3	1	1	42	31.40	31.40	58.50	414.65	
257	Fellowship.....	North St. Paul.....	23	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	25	11.20	11.20	120.00	192.06	
258	Montgomery.....	St. Paul.....	63	11	11	15	15	1	17	1	1	1	1	1	1	83	63.40	63.40	100.00	1,860.00	300.00
259	Berry.....	Akeley.....	26	17	19	14	14	1	16	1	1	1	1	1	1	41	61.00	61.00	40.25	632.12	272.95
260	Truth.....	Briceyn.....	19	3	4	4	4	1	5	2	2	2	2	2	2	22	17.80	17.80	9.00	289.12	
261	Fairfax.....	Fairfax.....	19	3	2	2	2	1	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	21	13.60	13.60	14.00	521.00	400.00
262	Lake Wilson.....	Lake Wilson.....	22	3	4	4	4	1	11	3	3	3	3	3	3	23	18.00	18.00	27.00	304.65	22.20
263	Tusler.....	St. Paul.....	33	8	9	10	10	1	11	1	1	1	1	1	1	44	40.20	40.20	58.00	737.26	
264	Virginia.....	Virginia.....	82	8	8	7	7	3	10	1	1	1	1	1	1	91	55.40	55.40	60.00	2,547.72	2,772.00
265	Compass.....	Robbinsdale.....	27	5	8	7	7	4	11	6	5	5	5	5	5	37	27.40	27.40	75.40	330.74	30.00
266	Onyx.....	Westbrook.....	29	5	6	6	6	1	6	7	1	1	1	1	1	28	27.00	27.00	50.00	566.84	80.00
267	Warroad.....	Warroad.....	22	4	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	29.40	29.40	.....	.....	.....
268	Rosend.....	Rosend.....	.....	6	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	10.00	10.00	.....	.....	.....
269	Eagle Bend.....	Eagle Bend.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Grand Total.....			22025	1565	1535	1546	402	79	2027	561	205	5	3	291	1065	22987	13,051.60	13,118.70	39,676.47	591,972.99	102,299.38

APPENDIX F.

PAY ROLL 1908.

GRAND OFFICERS	Mileage	Per Diem	Total Paid	To Whom Paid
Gustaf Widell, G. Master.....	\$3.20	\$6.00	\$9.20	Gustaf Widell.
Wm. P. Roberts, Dep G. M.....	.20	6.00	6.20	W. P. Roberts.
E. E. Swan, S. G. Warden.....	3.15	6.00	9.15	E. E. Swan.
D. W. Knowlton, G. Treas.....	.20	6.00	6.20	D. W. Knowlton.
John Fishel, G. Sec.....		6.00	6.00	John Fishel.
A. O. Eberhart, G. Orator.....	3.20	6.00	9.20	A. O. Eberhart.
Geo. E. Satterlee, G. Chap.....		6.00	6.00	Geo. E. Satterlee.
Elmer A. Kling, S. G. D.....	4.30	6.00	10.30	Elmer A. Kling.
Edwin H. Foot, J. G. D.....	1.65	6.00	7.65	Edwin H. Foot.
Owen Morris, G. Marshall.....		6.00	6.00	Owen Morris.
W. A. Nolan as G. St. B.....	5.10	6.00	11.10	W. A. Nolan.
O. M. Botsford, G. Sw. B.....	4.05	6.00	10.05	O. M. Botsford.
John A. Schlener, S. G. S.....	.20	6.00	6.20	John A. Schlener.
Jacob L. Berthold, J. G. S.....	7.30	6.00	13.30	J. L. Berthold.
Frank E. Cady, G. Pur.....	4.70	6.00	10.70	F. E. Cady.
PERMANENT MEMBERS				
E. W. Durant, P. G. M.....	\$0.60	\$6.00	\$6.60	E. W. Durant.
Henry R. Wells, P. G. M.....	6.00	6.00	12.00	H. R. Wells.
Henry R. Denny, P. G. M.....		6.00	6.00	H. R. Denny.
C. L. Brown, P. G. M.....		3.00	3.00	C. L. Brown.
A. T. Stebbins, P. G. M.....	3.70	6.00	9.70	A. T. Stebbins.
A. Brandenburg, P. G. M.....	7.50	6.00	13.50	A. Brandenburg.
G. S. Ives, P. G. M.....		6.00	6.00	G. S. Ives.
A. D. Countryman, P. G. M.....	6.20	6.00	12.20	A. D. Countryman.
Henry R. Adams, P. G. M.....	.20	6.00	6.20	H. R. Adams.
W. A. McGonagle, P. G. M.....	6.00	6.00	12.00	W. A. McGonagle.
H. M. Tusler, P. G. M.....		6.00	6.00	H. M. Tusler.
Thos. Morris, P. G. M.....	11.70	6.00	17.70	Thos. Morris.
Samuel E. Adams, P. S. G. W.....	.20	6.00	6.20	Samuel E. Adams.
Edgar Nash, P. S. G. W.....	.20	6.00	6.20	Edgar Nash.
W. B. Patton, P. J. G. W.....		6.00	6.00	W. B. Patton.
J. D. Markham, P. J. G. W.....	2.15	6.00	8.15	J. D. Markham.
COMMITTEE ON RETURNS				
J. T. Johnson.....	\$7.50	\$9.00	\$16.50	J. T. Johnson.
Ole C. Hanson.....	6.30	9.00	15.30	Ole C. Hanson.
C. M. Johnson.....	2.15	9.00	11.15	C. M. Johnson.

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS.

No. of Dist.	NAME	Mileage	Per Diem	Total Paid	To Whom Paid
2	Geo. T. Williams, Aitkin.....	\$6.60	\$6.00	\$12.60	G. T. Williams.
3	L. A. Barnes, West Du'uth....	5.90	6.00	11.90	L. A. Barnes.
4	Olof Dalheim, Evansville.....	6.35	6.00	12.35	O. Dalheim.
5	Hugh C. Maguren, Melrose....	4.35	6.00	10.35	H. C. Maguren.
7	Chas. A. Dickey, Princeton....	2.60	6.00	8.60	C. A. Dickey.
9	John G. Hayter, Annandale....	2.50	6.00	8.50	J. G. Hayter.
12	Geo. P. Dickinson, Excelsior..	.70	6.00	6.70	Geo. P. Dickinson.
15	E. C. Shibley, St. Paul.....		6.00	6.00	E. C. Shibley.
16	Hayden French, Ortonville....	7.10	6.00	13.10	H. French.
17	J. R. Butters, Renville.....	4.60	6.00	10.60	J. R. Butters..
21	Wm. A. Hawkins, Marshall....	6.20	6.00	12.20	W. A. Hawkins.
27	L. A. Hanes, Albert Lea.....	4.35	6.00	10.35	L. A. Hanes.
28	John McCabe, Mazepa.....	3.00	6.00	9.00	John McCabe.
29	J. F. M. Cooper, Mantorville..	2.95	6.00	8.95	J. F. M. Cooper.
30	Geo. L. Wood, Eyota.....	4.20	6.00	10.20	G. L. Wood.
34	F. A. Duxbury, Caledonia....	6.30	6.00	12.30	F. A. Duxbury.

PAY ROLL, 1908.—Continued.

No.	NAME	Mileage	Per Diem	Total	To Whom Paid
1	St. Johns.....	\$0.60	\$6.00	\$6.60	J. Q. Mackintosh.
2	Cataract.....	.20	6.00	6.20	F. J. Meyst.
3	St. Paul.....		6.00	6.00	F. G. Warner.
4	Hennepin.....	.20	6.00	6.20	H. M. Weston.
5	Ancient Landmark.....		6.00	6.00	M. O. Nelson.
6	Dakota.....	.30	6.00	6.30	J. A. Holmquist.
7	Red Wing.....	1.85	6.00	7.85	H. J. Herder.
8	Faribault.....	2.10	6.00	8.10	O. M. Henderson.
9	Mantorville.....	2.95	6.00	8.95	F. C. Calhoun.
11	Mankato.....	3.20	6.00	9.20	W. F. Jewson.
12	Wapahaska.....	2.80	6.00	8.80	M. W. Dady.
14	Monticello.....	1.90	6.00	7.90	C. S. Strout.
16	Winona.....	4.05	6.00	10.05	Paul Baumgartner.
18	Caledonia.....	6.30	6.00	12.30	W. E. Browning.
20	Rochester.....	3.70	6.00	9.70	O. C. Heyerdale.
21	Pleasant Grove.....	8.00	6.00	14.00	C. L. Denny.
22	North Star.....	3.00	6.00	9.00	A. H. Leimbacher.
23	Wilton.....	3.75	6.00	9.75	J. H. Elmore.
24	Western Star.....	4.35	6.00	10.35	L. J. H. Land.
26	Blue Earth Valley.....	4.70	6.00	10.70	C. W. Hall.
27	Clear Water.....	2.50	6.00	8.50	W. F. Hathaway.
28	Morning Star.....	5.15	6.00	11.15	J. W. Welch.
29	Anoka.....	1.15	6.00	7.15	J. P. McGinty.
30	King Hiram.....	1.55	6.00	7.55	C. E. Morrill.
31	Sakatah.....	2.60	6.00	8.60	A. E. Haslar.
32	Star in the East.....	2.70	6.00	8.70	C. W. Burdick.
33	Oriental.....	1.60	6.00	7.60	F. W. Scofield.
34	Preston.....	6.00	6.00	12.00	A. G. Olson.
35	Mystic Tie.....	6.05	6.00	12.05	A. J. McDougal.
36	Washington.....	2.50	6.00	8.50	O. C. Gardner.
37	Fidelity.....	3.70	6.00	9.70	G. A. Dutcher.
38	Carnelian.....	2.35	6.00	8.35	W. J. Lowry.
39	Hermion.....	2.70	6.00	8.70	C. W. Scofield.
40	Hope.....	2.50	6.00	8.50	H. L. Simons.
41	Harmony.....	4.90	6.00	10.90	O. W. Hunt.
42	Union.....	2.30	6.00	8.30	W. H. Tomlinson.
43	Evergreen.....	5.00	6.00	11.00	Nate Becksted.
44	Concord.....	2.75	6.00	8.75	W. C. Davis.
45	Social.....	1.55	6.00	7.55	W. A. Hunt.
46	Rising Sun.....	4.40	6.00	10.40	J. W. Hart.
47	Watertown.....	2.55	6.00	8.55	H. H. Justus.
48	Acacia.....	.30	6.00	6.30	I. T. Morey.
49	Cannon River.....	2.60	6.00	8.60	L. M. Hollister.
50	Nicollet.....	2.90	6.00	8.90	J. L. Holmberg.
51	Meridian.....	4.75	6.00	10.75	W. H. Ball.
52	Blue Earth City.....	5.10	6.00	11.10	F. V. Cummings.
53	Spring Valley.....	5.10	6.00	11.10	H. E. Leach.
54	Temple.....	2.80	6.00	8.80	P. E. Avery.
55	Star in the West.....	4.65	6.00	10.65	C. McCracken.
56	Ashler.....	4.20	6.00	10.20	W. H. Mitchell.
57	Star.....	1.70	6.00	7.70	J. Sleight.
58	Illustrious.....	4.80	6.00	10.80	E. E. Smith.
59	Chain Lake.....	5.65	6.00	11.65	H. O. Noben.
60	Corinthian.....	1.00	6.00	7.00	J. M. D. Craft.
61	Mystic Star.....	5.50	6.00	11.50	W. F. Drake.
62	Paynesville.....	3.75	6.00	9.75	Harry Boylan.
63	Eureka.....	4.55	6.00	10.55	Rufus Mahoney.
64	Joppa.....	4.00	6.00	10.00	W. B. Falconer.
65	Tuscan.....	3.00	6.00	9.00	M. M. Davidson.
66	Mystic Circle.....	5.50	6.00	11.50	C. C. Barton.
67	Palestine.....	6.00	6.00	12.00	E. K. Coe.
68	Constellation.....	5.65	6.00	11.65	H. S. Campbell.
69	Howard.....	2.15	6.00	8.15	H. D. Gorman.
70	Huram Abi.....	3.15	6.00	9.15	C. T. Goodrich.
71	Orient.....	5.85	6.00	11.85	T. Robinson.
72	High Forest.....	4.10	6.00	10.10	H. E. Lewis.
73	Tyrian.....	3.00	6.00	9.00	N. L. Munger.
74	Doric.....	4.70	6.00	10.70	T. M. Mott.
75	Golden Fleece.....	3.10	6.00	9.10	E. C. Gross.

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No.	Name	Mileage	Per Diem	Total	To Whom Paid
90	Good Faith.....	\$6.30	\$6.00	\$12.30	H. M. Burnham.
91	Antiquity.....	4.25	6.00	10.25	O. L. Dornberg.
92	Fraternal.....	2.60	6.00	8.60	Wm. Cordiner.
93	Unity.....	3.20	6.00	9.20	F. N. Sartelle.
94	Keystone.....	4.15	6.00	10.15	E. S. Rhoads.
95	Sherburne.....	1.65	6.00	7.65	F. D. Waterman.
97	Prudence.....	5.70	6.00	11.70	A. F. Strunk.
98	Charity.....	3.50	6.00	9.50	H. Held.
99	Corner Stone.....	7.50	6.00	13.50	C. L. Hilton.
100	Aurora.....	5.45	6.00	11.45	Geo. D. LaBar.
101	Fraternity.....	7.10	6.00	13.10	C. M. Crandall.
102	Lebanon.....	5.60	6.00	11.60	J. J. Lamm.
103	Bethel.....	3.70	6.00	9.70	R. C. Roberts.
104	Sharon.....	4.10	6.00	10.10	Russell Spicer.
106	Mt. Tabor.....	8.15	6.00	14.15	E. F. Harris.
108	Relief.....	2.90	6.00	8.90	Gust Cral.
109	Sunset.....	5.75	6.00	11.75	R. A. Brown.
110	Pickwick.....	4.50	6.00	10.50	F. R. Sinclair.
111	Carver.....	1.10	6.00	7.10	J. Bristle.
112	Khurum.....	.20	6.00	6.20	Geo. W. Meyer.
113	Excelsior.....	.70	6.00	6.70	J. M. Thurston.
114	Ben Franklin.....	8.35	6.00	14.35	S. C. Rea.
116	Lafayette.....	4.10	6.00	10.10	P. Madison.
118	Newport.....	.30	6.00	6.30	J. M. Trickey.
119	Delta.....	6.20	6.00	12.20	H. D. Caley.
121	Grand Meadow.....	5.10	6.00	11.10	Geo. A. Wright.
122	Kellogg.....	3.05	6.00	9.05	C. F. Wolfe.
124	Janesville.....	3.35	6.00	9.35	H. A. Comstock.
125	Winslow Lewis.....	.95	6.00	6.95	Elmer Owen.
126	Moorhead.....	9.65	6.00	15.65	G. Sheffield.
128	Josephus.....	4.05	6.00	10.05	J. P. Emerson.
129	Swift.....	5.30	6.00	11.30	O. Kinney.
131	Alma.....	4.40	6.00	10.40	W. F. Cobb.
132	Humboldt.....	2.00	6.00	8.00	C. A. Lambert.
133	Golden Sheaf.....	6.30	6.00	12.30	J. J. Stock.
134	Cokato.....	2.40	6.00	8.40	W. H. Reed.
135	Nelson.....	2.20	6.00	8.20	F. S. Abbott.
136	Walnut.....	5.70	6.00	11.70	F. W. Damp.
137	Appleton.....	6.20	6.00	12.20	F. J. Skillman.
138	Orion.....	3.60	6.00	9.60	M. Anderson.
139	Verndale.....	6.10	6.00	12.10	N. A. Lee.
140	Little Falls.....	4.30	6.00	10.30	F. W. Lyon.
141	Crookston.....	11.70	6.00	17.70	W. G. Lytle.
142	Currie.....	5.00	6.00	11.00	L. G. Gates.
143	Lakeview.....	7.10	6.00	13.10	C. T. Lange.
144	Bird Island.....	3.20	6.00	9.20	L. E. Sherwood.
145	Melrose.....	4.35	6.00	10.35	W. W. Matson.
146	Benton.....	7.40	6.00	13.40	W. W. Bliven.
147	Canby.....	7.20	6.00	13.20	J. E. Vanstrom.
149	Guardian.....	2.85	6.00	8.85	Christ Nygaard.
150	Warren.....	12.90	6.00	18.90	W. J. Brown.
151	Chaska.....	1.10	6.00	7.10	W. C. Odell.
152	Frontier.....	8.60	6.00	14.60	D. J. Jones.
153	Kodahya.....	8.15	6.00	14.15	H. W. Barrett.
154	Norman.....	10.00	6.00	16.00	B. E. Dalquist.
155	Tracy.....	6.00	6.00	12.00	A. H. Rowland.
156	Wadena.....	6.00	6.00	12.00	J. L. Egleston.
157	Perham.....	7.30	6.00	13.30	H. S. Pritchett.
158	Hector.....	3.50	6.00	9.50	H. L. Torbenson.
159	Long Prairie.....	5.45	6.00	11.45	W. M. Barber.
160	Plymouth.....	.20	6.00	6.20	F. H. McCuskey.
161	Sincerity.....	5.55	6.00	11.55	J. W. Carpenter.
162	Prescott.....	6.95	6.00	12.95	A. W. Wells.
163	Summit.....	.....	6.00	6.00	R. B. Ware.
164	Jasper.....	2.15	6.00	8.15	C. M. Johnston.
165	Minnehaha.....	.20	6.00	6.20	Benj. Sandy.
166	Garnet.....	.50	6.00	6.50	T. L. Bourquin.
167	Agate.....	7.70	6.00	13.70	W. Hannis.
168	Bradén.....		6.00	6.00	W. R. Wilson.

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No.	Name	Mileage	Per Diem	Total	To Whom Paid
169	Pierson.....	\$8.75	\$6.00	\$14.75	M. D. Hawver.
170	Fulda.....	7.00	6.00	13.00	G. Browning.
171	Shekinah.....	.....	6.00	6.00	A. W. Bailey.
172	Marietta.....	7.25	6.00	13.25	E. C. Sommermeyer
173	Plumb Line.....	2.80	6.00	8.80	J. G. Reeves.
174	Valley.....	5.20	6.00	11.20	W. A. Simonton.
176	Ark.....	.20	6.00	6.20	W. H. Germond.
177	Rough Ashlar.....	1.85	6.00	7.85	P. Buctow.
178	Anchor.....	3.70	6.00	9.70	G. A. Hollenbeck.
179	King David.....	5.60	6.00	11.60	A. C. Stolte.
180	Osakis.....	5.25	6.00	11.25	C. W. Long.
181	Dalles.....	5.50	6.00	11.50	W. J. Campbell.
182	Fair Haven.....	2.50	6.00	8.50	T. A. Wirsing.
184	Shell.....	8.30	6.00	14.30	F. M. Shephard.
185	Midway.....	.....	6.00	6.00	C. N. Orr.
186	Ionic.....	6.00	6.00	12.00	C. F. Wiberg.
187	Arcana.....	.20	6.00	6.20	H. A. Sauer.
188	Fortitude.....	7.20	6.00	13.20	O. G. Elben.
189	Traverse.....	8.10	6.00	14.10	Jared Burton.
190	Triunc.....	.....	6.00	6.00	A. L. Williams.
191	Mizpah.....	.20	6.00	6.20	F. L. Henderson.
193	Amboy.....	4.50	6.00	10.50	I. J. Moyer.
194	Canton.....	7.50	6.00	13.50	R. N. Vail.
195	Renville.....	4.60	6.00	10.60	N. L. Johnson.
196	Geneva.....	6.80	6.00	12.80	J. H. Chalmers.
197	Vermillion.....	10.00	6.00	16.00	F. B. Cundy.
198	Euclid.....	6.00	6.00	12.00	E. G. Wallinder.
199	Murray.....	7.35	6.00	13.35	C. A. Norton.
200	Zenith.....	4.60	6.00	10.60	W. F. Runck.
201	Kenyon.....	2.10	6.00	8.10	C. Clausen.
203	Stewartville.....	4.05	6.00	10.05	C. M. Battle.
204	St. Elmo.....	8.10	6.00	14.10	Andrew Rae.
205	Wayzata.....	.85	6.00	6.85	E. G. Braden.
207	Crescent.....	5.50	6.00	11.50	W. H. Pattison.
208	Itasca.....	8.35	6.00	14.35	D. M. Gunn.
210	Columbian.....	6.40	6.00	12.40	LeRoy Brown.
211	Friendship.....	7.35	6.00	13.35	C. D. Catlin.
212	Hallock.....	14.60	6.00	20.60	J. H. Bradish.
213	Mystic.....	6.60	6.00	12.60	F. E. Krech.
214	Evansville.....	6.35	6.00	12.35	H. E. Alstead.
215	Argyle.....	13.35	6.00	19.35	D. Dundas.
216	Florence.....	5.20	6.00	11.20	W. M. Cayott.
217	Capital City.....	.....	6.00	6.00	L. F. Smith.
219	Mt. Hermon.....	5.95	6.00	11.95	A. Nystuen.
220	Olivia.....	4.30	6.00	10.30	J. M. Peckinpaugh.
221	Equity.....	6.10	6.00	12.10	C. R. Laingen.
222	Elysian.....	2.85	6.00	8.85	J. W. Root.
224	Minnesota.....	.20	6.00	6.20	R. B. Hazard.
227	Park Region.....	6.85	6.00	12.85	J. E. Peterson.
228	Vernon Center.....	4.30	6.00	10.30	G. C. Cornish.
229	Stewart.....	3.15	6.00	9.15	G. W. Nutter.
230	Alpha.....	11.20	6.00	17.20	J. W. Johnson.
231	Magnolia.....	5.55	6.00	11.55	Frank Collins.
232	Chisago.....	1.65	6.00	7.65	C. E. Haven.
233	Bemidji.....	9.30	6.00	15.30	E. M. French.
235	Edgerton.....	12.05	6.00	18.05	F. E. Douty.
236	Northern.....	11.90	6.00	17.90	B. Christianson.
237	Albert Pike.....	.50	6.00	6.50	A. H. Nash.
238	Equality.....	6.45	6.00	12.45	P. O. French.
239	Eveleth.....	8.85	6.00	14.85	J. C. Poole.
241	Frazee.....	7.75	6.00	13.75	E. F. Gummer.
242	Ruthton.....	7.00	6.00	13.00	J. F. Carlson.
243	Cass.....	9.20	6.00	15.20	D. L. Stanton.
244	Coteau.....	7.10	6.00	13.10	G. S. Willard.
245	Wabasso.....	5.40	6.00	11.40	A. J. Welden.
246	Fides.....	5.00	6.00	11.00	E. P. Dotson.
247	Morality.....	8.05	6.00	14.05	E. C. Johnson.
249	Barto.....	4.95	6.00	10.95	G. W. Hannah.
250	Lakefield.....	6.45	6.00	12.45	G. R. Van Dyke.

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No.	Name	Mileage	Per Diem	Total	To Whom Paid
251	McKinley.....	\$7.05	\$6.00	\$13.05	C. H. Kelson.
252	Morton.....	4.10	6.00	10.10	F. Watschke.
253	Dexter.....	4.45	6.00	10.45	W. E. Daily.
254	Lake Park.....	8.65	6.00	14.65	O. Wangenstern.
255	Mesaba.....	8.75	6.00	14.75	J. A. Robinson.
256	Hawley.....	9.15	6.00	15.15	F. M. Higgins.
257	Fellowship.....	.20	6.00	6.20	J. G. Earhuff.
258	Montgomery.....		6.00	6.00	N. W. Foster.
259	Berry.....	9.65	6.00	15.65	W. A. Wilsie.
260	Truth.....	5.10	6.00	11.10	A. E. Wilcox.
261	Fairfax.....	3.90	6.00	9.90	A. M. Wallace.
262	Lake Wilson.....	7.55	6.00	13.55	R. B. Forrest.
263	Tusler.....		6.00	6.00	C. H. Green.
265	Compass.....	.40	6.00	6.40	G. E. Swift.
266	Onyx.....	4.60	6.00	10.60	G. W. McFarlane.
267	Warroad.....	27.50	6.00	29.40	Thos. L. Jones.
	Total.....			\$2846.55	

APPENDIX G.

NAMES OF LODGES ALPHABETICALLY ARRANGED

Name	No.	Name	No.	Name	No
Acacia.....	51	Frontier.....	152	Northern.....	236
Agate.....	167	Fulda.....	170	North Star.....	23
Albert Pike.....	237	Garnet.....	166	Olivia.....	220
Alpha.....	230	Geneva.....	196	Onyx.....	266
Alma.....	131	Golden Fleece.....	89	Orient.....	84
Amboy.....	193	Golden Sheaf.....	133	Oriental.....	34
Anchor.....	178	Good Faith.....	90	Orion.....	138
Ancient Landmark.....	5	Grand Meadow.....	121	Osakis.....	180
Anoka.....	30	Granite.....	117	Palestine.....	79
Antiquity.....	91	Griswold.....	218	Park Region.....	227
Appleton.....	137	Guardian.....	149	Paynesville.....	71
Arcana.....	187	Hallock.....	212	Perham.....	157
Argyle.....	215	Harmony.....	43	Pickwick.....	110
Ark.....	176	Hawley.....	256	Pierson.....	169
Ashler.....	61	Hector.....	158	Pleasant Grove.....	22
Astra.....	240	Henderson.....	80	Plumb Line.....	173
Atelier.....	202	Hennepin.....	4	Plymouth.....	169
Aurora.....	100	Hermion.....	41	Prairie.....	123
Barto.....	249	High Forest.....	85	Prescott.....	162
Bemidji.....	233	Hope.....	42	Preston.....	36
Ben Franklin.....	114	Howard.....	82	Prudence.....	148
Benton.....	146	Humboldt.....	132	Quarry.....	148
Berry.....	259	Huram Abi.....	83	Raymond.....	248
Bethel.....	103	Illustrious.....	63	Red Wing.....	8
Bird Island.....	144	Ionic.....	186	Relief.....	108
Blue Earth City.....	57	Itasca.....	208	Renville.....	195
Blue Earth Valley.....	27	Janesville.....	124	Rising Sun.....	49
Braden.....	168	Jasper.....	164	Rochester.....	21
Caledonia.....	20	Joppa.....	76	Roman Eagle.....	175
Canby.....	147	Josephus.....	128	Roseau.....	268
Cannon River.....	52	Justice.....	225	Rough Ashlar.....	177
Canton.....	194	Kellogg.....	122	Ruthton.....	242
Capital City.....	217	Kenyon.....	201	St. Elmo.....	204
Carnelian.....	40	Keystone.....	94	St. Johns.....	1
Carver.....	111	Khurum.....	112	St. Paul.....	3
Cass.....	243	King David.....	179	Sakatah.....	32
Cataract.....	2	King Hiram.....	31	Sandstone.....	234
Chain Lake.....	64	King Solomon.....	44	Sharon.....	104
Charity.....	98	Kodahya.....	153	Shekinah.....	171
Chaska.....	151	Lafayette.....	116	Shell.....	184
Chisago.....	232	Lakefield.....	250	Sherburne.....	95
Clear Water.....	28	Lake Park.....	254	Sibley.....	209
Cokato.....	134	Lakeview.....	143	Sincerity.....	161
Columbian.....	210	Lake Wilson.....	202	Social.....	48
Compass.....	265	Lansing.....	72	Spring Valley.....	58
Concord.....	47	Lebanon.....	102	Star.....	62
Constellation.....	81	Libanus.....	96	Star in the East.....	33
Corinthian.....	67	Lincoln.....	226	Star in the West.....	60
Corner Stone.....	90	Little Falls.....	140	Stewart.....	229
Coteau.....	224	Long Prairie.....	150	Stewartville.....	203
Crescent.....	207	Madella.....	66	Summit.....	163
Crookston.....	141	Magnolia.....	231	Sunset.....	109
Crow River.....	192	Mankato.....	12	Swift.....	129
Currie.....	142	Mantorville.....	11	Temple.....	59
Dakota.....	7	Marietta.....	172	Tracy.....	155
Dalles.....	181	McKinley.....	251	Traverse.....	189
Delta.....	119	Melrose.....	145	Truth.....	260
Dexter.....	253	Meridian.....	56	Triune.....	190
Doric.....	87	Mesaba.....	255	Tuscan.....	77
Eagle Bend.....	260	Midway.....	185	Tusler.....	263
Edgerton.....	235	Minneapolis.....	10	Tyrian.....	86
Elgin.....	115	Minnehaha.....	165	Union.....	45
Elysian.....	222	Minnesota.....	224	Unity.....	93
Equality.....	238	Mizpah.....	191	Valley.....	174
Equity.....	221	Montgomery.....	258	Vermillion.....	197
Euclid.....	198	Monticello.....	16	Verndale.....	139
Eureka.....	75	Moorhead.....	126	Vernon Center.....	228
Evansville.....	214	Mora.....	223	Virginia.....	264
Eveleth.....	239	Morality.....	247	Wabasso.....	245
Evergreen.....	46	Morning Star.....	29	Wadena.....	156
Excelsior.....	113	Morton.....	252	Walnut.....	136
Fairfax.....	261	Mount Hermion.....	219	Wapahusa.....	14
Fairhaven.....	182	Mount Tabor.....	106	Warren.....	150
Faribault.....	9	Murray.....	198	Warroad.....	267
Fellowship.....	257	Mystic.....	213	Washington.....	38
Fidelity.....	39	Mystic Circle.....	78	Watertown.....	50
Fides.....	246	Mystic Star.....	69	Wayzata.....	205
Florence.....	216	Mystic Tie.....	37	Western Star.....	26
Fortitude.....	188	Nelson.....	135	Wilton.....	24
Fraternal.....	92	Newport.....	118	Winona.....	18
Fraternity.....	101	Nicollet.....	54	Winslow Lewis.....	125
Frazee.....	241	Norman.....	154	Zenith.....	200
Friendship.....	211			Zion.....	55

APPENDIX H.

LOCATION OF LODGES ALPHABETICALLY ARRANGED.

Location	Lodge	No.	Location	Lodge	No.
Ada.....	Norman.....	154	Excelsior.....	Excelsior.....	113
Adrian.....	Roman Eagle ..	175	Eyota.....	Ashler.....	61
Aitkin.....	Mystic.....	213	Fairfax.....	Fairfax.....	261
Akeley.....	Berry.....	259	Fairmont.....	Chain Lake.....	64
Albert Lea.....	Western Star.....	26	Faribault.....	Faribault.....	9
Alexandria.....	Constellation.....	81	Farmington.....	Corinthian.....	67
Alma City.....	Wilton.....	24	Fergus Falls.....	Corner Stone.....	99
Amboy.....	Amboy.....	193	Frazee.....	Frazee.....	241
Annandale.....	Fair Haven.....	182	Fulda.....	Fulda.....	179
Anoka.....	Anoka.....	30	Glencoe.....	Hope.....	42
Appleton.....	Appleton.....	137	Glenwood.....	Valley.....	174
Argyle.....	Argyle.....	215	Good Thunder.....	Joppa.....	76
Atwater.....	Orion.....	138	Graceville.....	Friendship.....	211
Austin.....	Fidelity.....	39	Grand Meadow ..	Grand Meadow ..	121
Barnesville.....	Pierson.....	169	Grand Rapids.....	Itasca.....	208
Belgrade.....	Crow River.....	192	Granite Falls.....	Granite.....	117
Belle Plaine.....	Rough Ashlar.....	177	Hallock.....	Hallock.....	212
Bemidji.....	Bemidji.....	233	Hancock.....	Mt. Hermon.....	219
Benson.....	Swift.....	129	Hastings.....	Dakota.....	7
Bird Island.....	Bird Island.....	144	Hawley.....	Hawley.....	256
Blooming Prairie.....	Prairie.....	123	Hector.....	Hector.....	158
Blue Earth.....	Blue Earth City.....	57	Henderson.....	Henderson.....	80
Brainerd.....	Aurora.....	100	Hendricks.....	Morality.....	247
Breckenridge.....	Frontier.....	152	Hendrum.....	Alpha.....	230
Bricelyn.....	Truth.....	260	Herman.....	Prescott.....	162
Brown's Valley.....	Kodahya.....	153	Heron Lake.....	Columbian.....	210
Brownsdale.....	Lafayette.....	116	Hibbing.....	Mesaba.....	255
Brownston.....	Guardian.....	149	High Forest.....	High Forest.....	85
Buffalo.....	Nelson.....	135	Hopkins.....	Albert Pike.....	237
Caledonia.....	Caledonia.....	20	Houston.....	Mystic Circle.....	78
Campbell.....	Agate.....	167	Howard Lake.....	Howard.....	82
Canby.....	Canby.....	147	Hutchinson.....	Temple.....	59
Cannon Falls.....	Oriental.....	34	Jackson.....	Good Faith.....	90
Canton.....	Canton.....	194	Janessville.....	Janessville.....	124
Carver.....	Carver.....	111	Jasper.....	St. Elmo.....	204
Cass Lake.....	Cass.....	243	Jordan.....	King Hiram.....	31
Chaska.....	Chaska.....	151	Kasson.....	Huram Abi.....	83
Chatfield.....	Meridian.....	56	Kellogg.....	Kellogg.....	122
Clear Water.....	Clear Water.....	28	Kenyon.....	Kenyon.....	201
Cleveland.....	Concord.....	47	Kimball.....	Plumb Line.....	173
Cloquet.....	Dalles.....	181	La Crescent.....	Morning Star.....	29
Clyde.....	Evergreen.....	46	Lake Benton.....	Benton.....	146
Cokato.....	Cokato.....	134	Lake City.....	Carnelian.....	40
Cottage Grove.....	Acacia.....	51	Lake Crystal.....	Bethel.....	103
Cottonwood.....	Equity.....	221	Lakefield.....	Lakefield.....	250
Crookston.....	Crookston.....	141	Lake Park.....	Lake Park.....	254
Currie.....	Currie.....	142	Lake Wilson.....	Lake Wilson.....	262
Dassel.....	Griswold.....	218	Lamberton.....	Justice.....	225
Dawson.....	Atelier.....	202	Lanesboro.....	Lebanon.....	102
Detroit.....	Mt. Tabor.....	106	Lansing.....	Lansing.....	72
Dexter.....	Dexter.....	253	Le Roy.....	Eureka.....	75
Dodge Center.....	Relief.....	108	Lester Prairie.....	Astra.....	240
Duluth.....	Palestine.....	79	Le Sueur.....	Union.....	45
Duluth.....	Ionic.....	186	Lewiston.....	Harmony.....	43
Eagle Bend.....	Eagle Bend.....	269	Litchfield.....	Golden Fleece.....	89
Echo.....	Barto.....	249	Little Falls.....	Little Falls.....	140
Edgerton.....	Edgerton.....	234	Long Prairie.....	Long Prairie.....	159
Elbow Lake.....	Park Region.....	227	Luverne.....	Ben Franklin.....	114
Elgin.....	Elgin.....	115	Lyle.....	Alma.....	131
Elk River.....	Sherburne.....	95	Madelia.....	Madelia.....	66
Elmore.....	King David.....	179	Madison.....	Geneva.....	196
Elysian.....	Elysian.....	222	Mankato.....	Mankato.....	12
Evansville.....	Evansville.....	214	Mantorville.....	Mantorville.....	11
Eveleth.....	Eveleth.....	239	Marietta.....	Marietta.....	172

APPENDIX H.—Continued.

Location	Lodge	No.	Location	Lodge	No.
Marshall.....	Delta.....	119	Shakopee.....	King Solomon....	44
Mapleton.....	Josephus.....	128	Slayton.....	Murray.....	199
Mazeppa.....	Tyrian.....	86	Sherburn.....	Magnolia.....	231
Melrose.....	Melrose.....	145	Sleepy Eye.....	Keystone.....	94
Milaca.....	Lincoln.....	226	South St. Paul..	Milpah.....	191
Minneapolis.....	Cataract.....	2	Springfield.....	Zemith.....	200
Minneapolis.....	Hennepin.....	4	Spring Valley...	Spring Valley...	58
Minneapolis.....	Minneapolis.....	19	Staples.....	Crescent.....	207
Minneapolis.....	Khurum.....	112	Stewart.....	Stewart.....	229
Minneapolis.....	Plymouth.....	160	Stewartville.....	Stewartville.....	203
Minneapolis.....	Minnehaha.....	165	Stillwater.....	St. Johns.....	1
Minneapolis.....	Ark.....	176	St. Charles.....	Rising Sun.....	49
Minneapolis.....	Arcana.....	187	St. Cloud.....	North Star.....	23
Minneapolis.....	Minnesota.....	224	St. James.....	Libanus.....	96
Minneota.....	Equality.....	238	St. Paul.....	St. Paul.....	3
Money Creek.....	Orient.....	84	St. Paul.....	Ancient Landmark	5
Montevideo.....	Sunset.....	109	St. Paul.....	Summit.....	163
Monticello.....	Monticello.....	16	St. Paul.....	Shaden.....	168
Moorhead.....	Moorhead.....	126	St. Paul.....	Shelkinnah.....	171
Mora.....	Mora.....	223	St. Paul.....	Midway.....	185
Morris.....	Golden Sheaf.....	133	St. Paul.....	Triune.....	190
Morristown.....	Cannon River.....	52	St. Paul.....	Capital City.....	217
Morton.....	Morton.....	252	St. Paul.....	Montgomery.....	258
Newport.....	Newport.....	118	St. Peter.....	Tusler.....	263
New Ulm.....	Charity.....	98	St. Peter.....	Nicollet.....	54
North Branch.....	Chicago.....	232	Taylor's Falls.....	Zion.....	55
North St. Paul.....	Fellowship.....	257	Thief River Falls	Northern.....	236
Northfield.....	Social.....	48	Tower.....	Vermillion.....	197
Olivia.....	Olivia.....	220	Tracy.....	Tracy.....	155
Ortonville.....	Lakeview.....	143	Two Harbors.....	Fortitude.....	188
Osakis.....	Osakis.....	180	Tyler.....	McKinley.....	251
Osseo.....	Winslow Lewis.....	125	Verndale.....	Verndale.....	139
Owatonna.....	Star in the East.....	33	Vernon Center.....	Vernon Center.....	228
Park Rapids.....	Shell.....	184	Villard.....	Sincerity.....	161
Paynesville.....	Paynesville.....	71	Virginia.....	Virginia.....	264
Perham.....	Perham.....	157	Wabasha.....	Wapahasa.....	14
Pickwick.....	Pickwick.....	110	Wabasso.....	Wabasso.....	245
Pine Island.....	Mystic Tie.....	37	Wadena.....	Wadena.....	156
Pipestone.....	Quarry.....	148	Walnut Grove.....	Walnut.....	136
Plainview.....	Illustrious.....	63	Warren.....	Warren.....	150
Pleasant Grove.....	Pleasant Grove.....	22	Warroad.....	Warroad.....	267
Preston.....	Preston.....	36	Waseca.....	Tuscan.....	77
Princeton.....	Fraternal.....	92	Watertown.....	Watertown.....	50
Raymond.....	Raymond.....	248	Waterville.....	Sakatah.....	32
Red Wing.....	Red Wing.....	8	Wayzata.....	Wayzata.....	205
Redwood Falls.....	Antiquity.....	91	Wells.....	Doric.....	87
Renville.....	Renville.....	195	Westbrook.....	Onyx.....	266
Robbinsdale.....	Compass.....	265	West Concord.....	Washington.....	38
Rochester.....	Rochester.....	21	West Duluth.....	Euclid.....	198
Roseau.....	Roseau.....	268	Wheaton.....	Traverse.....	189
Rockford.....	Star.....	62	White Bear.....	Garnet.....	166
Royalton.....	Anchor.....	178	Willmar.....	Sharon.....	104
Rush City.....	Jasper.....	164	Windom.....	Prudence.....	97
Rushford.....	Mystic Star.....	69	Winnebago City.....	Blue Earth Valley	27
Russell.....	Coteau.....	244	Winona.....	Winona.....	18
Ruthton.....	Ruthton.....	242	Winthrop.....	Sibley.....	209
Sanborn.....	Fides.....	246	Wood Lake.....	Florence.....	216
Sandstone.....	Sandstone.....	234	Worthington.....	Fraternity.....	101
Sauk Centre.....	Star in the West.....	60	Young America.....	Humboldt.....	132
Sauk Rapids.....	Unity.....	93	Zumbrota.....	Hermon.....	41

DEATHS IN 1907.

Name of Lodge	No.	Name of Deceased	Date
St. Johns.....	1	A. K. Doe.....	Jan. 20, 1907
		Royal C. Orrl.....	Nov. 7, 1907
		J. R. Carl.....	Dec. 18, 1907
Cataract.....	2	C. W. Weeks.....	Feb. 19, 1907
		L. J. Bailey.....	Feb. 27, 1907
		P. C. Lyon.....	April 21, 1907
		T. H. Goodale.....	May 10, 1907
		Chas. Simpson.....	May 16, 1907
		Frank Hyland.....	Sept. 7, 1907
		J. S. Gillespie.....	Sept. 1907
		J. B. Lane.....	Nov. 21, 1907
		Robert Dobson.....	Nov. 23, 1907
		O. E. Linger.....	Dec. 11, 1907
		O. H. Weeks.....	Dec. 23, 1907
St. Paul.....	3	Geo. W. Tanner.....	Dec. 22, 1906
		Charles Griswold.....	Dec. 25, 1906
		Chas. R. Wilcox.....	April 13, 1907
		Enoch Rice.....	June 27, 1907
		Jos. M. Simpson.....	July 29, 1907
		D. P. Roussoupoulos.....	Nov. 6, 1907
		Edw. J. O'Neill.....	Nov. 17, 1905
		A. N. Barringer.....	Nov. 6, 1907
Hennepin.....	4	Ira H. Shattuck.....	Feb. 8, 1907
		H. L. McGregor.....	Mar. 25, 1907
		James McIntosh.....	May 19, 1907
		George E. Dennis.....	May 22, 1907
		Albert L. Glockner.....	June 15, 1907
		Emerson Cole.....	Oct. 23, 1907
		John I. Black.....	Nov. 9, 1907
Ancient Landmark.....	5	Chester H. Clark.....	Jan. 3, 1907
		J. C. Quinby.....	Feb. 2, 1907
		Cyrus J. Thompson.....	Feb. 21, 1907
		R. J. Eggleton.....	Feb. 23, 1907
		Simon L. Pollock.....	Mar. 15, 1907
		Frederick Driscoll.....	Mar. 23, 1907
		Thomas Scott.....	May 26, 1907
		Edmond M. Sharp.....	June 9, 1907
		Frank Renz.....	Aug. 1, 1907
		Judah Wechsler.....	Aug. 6, 1907
		James Carroll.....	Sept. 16, 1907
		Gottfried Stamm.....	Sept. 15, 1907
		Louis Lockwood.....	Nov. 26, 1907
		E. McMurtrie.....	Nov. 29, 1907
		Wm. Crooks.....	Dec. 17, 1907
		Richard Peel.....	Dec. 17, 1907
Dakota.....	7	John M. Gere.....	Mar. 18, 1907
Red Wing.....	8	Albert S. Schlenter.....	Jan. 14, 1907
		R. B. Kellogg.....	Mar. 13, 1907
		Jesse McIntire.....	Oct. 12, 1907
Faribault.....	9	Herbert O. Clement.....	April 2, 1907
		Joseph Kahn.....	Nov. 21, 1907
Mantorville.....	11	Edmund Beatty.....	Mar. 26, 1907
		F. M. Campbell.....	April 15, 1907
		William Andrist.....	Mar. 20, 1907
Mankato.....	12	Henry Loud.....	July 26, 1907
		Fred G. Heinze.....	Aug. 9, 1907
		Wm. N. Plymat.....	June 29, 1907
		John C. Noble.....	Nov. 27, 1907
Wapahasa.....	14	O. H. Porter.....	Mar. 15, 1907
Winona.....	18	O. B. Gould.....	Jan. 16, 1907
Minneapolis.....	19	Alvin M. Bailey.....	May 3, 1907
		Frank G. Brown.....	Feb. 27, 1907
		Aid Collins.....	Nov. 7, 1907
		W. F. Dieterichs.....	Oct. 21, 1907
		Anton Grethen.....	Mar. 20, 1907
		W. E. Grinnell.....	Dec. 28, 1907
		Newton T. Hume.....	Mar. 29, 1907
		B. F. Howe.....	Jan. 24, 1907
		A. F. Hinz.....	Feb. 28, 1907

DEATHS IN 1907.—Continued.

Name of Lodge	No.	Name of Deceased	Date
Minneapolis—Continued.....	19	N. H. Leonard.....	April 29, 1907
		M. F. Lenox.....	Aug. 23, 1907
		Weed Munro.....	Jan. 20, 1907
		W. D. Mitchell.....	Jan. 24, 1907
		J. D. Muldoon.....	Dec. 27, 1906
		Colin MacKenzie.....	May 18, 1907
		John E. Osborne.....	June 17, 1907
		A. W. Porsch.....	Mar. 20, 1907
		Jas. C. Sheasgreen.....	July 5, 1907
		B. R. J. Thaxter.....	Mar. 4, 1907
		Chas. B. Teal.....	Mar. 25, 1907
		D. B. Thomas.....	June 23, 1907
		Chas. F. Trowbridge.....	Dec. 24, 1907
Rochester.....	21	Melvin C. Millett.....	May 6, 1907
		Aaron Hill.....	Jan. 15, 1907
		John Gillespie.....	Sept. 25, 1907
		Ed. O. Plummer.....	Nov. 15, 1907
Pleasant Grove.....	22	Henry Rathbone.....	Aug. 8, 1907
Wilton.....	24	James Wheeler.....	Oct. 22, 1907
Western Star.....	26	A. W. White.....	Jan. 13, 1907
		N. T. Sundberg.....	Feb. 23, 1907
		N. C. Peterson.....	Sept. 4, 1907
		C. H. Tung.....	Sept. 30, 1907
		F. F. D. Scholten.....	Aug. 15, 1907
Blue Earth.....	27		
Clear Water.....	28		
Morning Star.....	29	W. H. Dunham.....	Jan. 20, 1907
Anoka.....	30	James E. Watson.....	Feb. 26, 1907
		Norman W. McLean.....	Nov. 10, 1907
Star in the East.....	33	Lewis L. Wheelock.....	June 1, 1907
		H. H. Herrick.....	Nov. 8, 1907
Preston.....	36	Homer C. Pooler.....	Mar. 29, 1907
		Charles H. Conkey.....	June 21, 1907
		E. V. Farrington.....	July 13, 1907
Washington.....	38	Israel T. Comstock.....	May 1, 1907
		Daniel C. Smith.....	Nov. 20, 1907
Fidelity.....	39	Albert Galloway.....	June 6, 1907
		Albert F. Mattice.....	June 30, 1907
		Menno S. Detweiler.....	Dec. 19, 1907
Carnelian.....	40	Geo. F. Benson.....	Mar. 29, 1907
		Charles Paine.....	June 21, 1907
		Arthur J. Myers.....	Dec. 18, 1907
Hope.....	42	John C. Riebe.....	Feb. 13, 1907
		Andrew J. Snyder.....	Sept. 25, 1907
King Solomon.....	44	Seymour Pope.....	Mar. 29, 1907
Evergreen.....	46	Riley H. Henry.....	Aug. 10, 1907
Concord.....	47	Isaac Felton.....	Mar. 15, 1907
Social.....	48	Geo. H. Manhart.....	Oct. 26, 1907
Rising Sun.....	49	Henry Talbot.....	July 12, 1907
		J. W. Dickey.....	Dec. 27, 1907
Watertown.....	50	John Rader.....	Nov. 21, 1907
Cannon River.....	52	Charles Sweetser.....	Jan. 21, 1907
Nicollet.....	54	Azro A. Stone.....	June 9, 1907
		Edward J. Bogs.....	May 19, 1907
		Alexander Haskin.....	Sept. 15, 1907
Meridian.....	56	James Sanderson.....	Jan. 14, 1907
Blue Earth City.....	57	Thos. S. Webb.....	Oct. 8, 1907
		George D. Converse.....	Oct. 18, 1907
Spring Valley.....	58	E. D. Hammer.....	Oct. 13, 1907
Temple.....	59	Joseph Vollmer.....	Dec. 31, 1906
		A. M. Schnell.....	Dec. 1906
		Jacob Piowaty.....	Dec. 1906
		George Maddoch.....	Sept. 1907
Star in the West.....	60	Edward Smith.....	May 18, 1907
		Wm. J. Henshaw.....	July 24, 1907
Illustrious.....	63	Frank A. Welles.....	Nov. 18, 1907
		Isaac J. Cutter.....	Nov. 20, 1907
Chain Lake.....	64	Edward Shaver.....	Jan. 4, 1907
		D. C. Ackley.....	Aug. 13, 1907
Mystic Star.....	69	Lars O. Bjerke.....	Jan. 19, 1907
		Andrew Hilden.....	Jan. 28, 1907

DEATHS IN 1907.—Continued.

Name of Lodge	No.	Name of Deceased	Date
Paynesville.....	71	Arthur H. Boylan.....	Mar. 23, 1907
Eureka.....	75	James F. Trask.....	Oct. 18, 1906
		Jesse M. Larrabee.....	Feb. 21, 1907
		Samuel B. B. Hutchins.....	Dec. 27, 1907
Mystic Circle.....	78	Whatley B. Burfield.....	May 16, 1907
Palestine.....	79	James E. Potter.....	Jan. 24, 1907
		James G. McGrew.....	Jan. 30, 1907
		Frank Noyes.....	Feb. 6, 1907
		John G. Bennett.....	Feb. 9, 1907
		Andrew B. Johnson.....	July 13, 1907
		Gustave A. Rasenow.....	Aug. 22, 1907
		Nels P. Olson.....	Oct. 6, 1907
		James A. Scott.....	Oct. 22, 1907
		Alexander S. Porter.....	Nov. 22, 1907
		Melvin J. Forbes.....	Nov. 3, 1907
		Roger S. Powell.....	Nov. 26, 1907
		Nelson H. Tucker.....	Dec. 23, 1907
Constellation.....	81	Francis B. Van Hoesen.....	Jan. 27, 1907
High Forest.....	85	Alvin Munson.....	Nov. 26, 1907
Tyrian.....	86	Jacob Votter.....	May 27, 1907
Golden Fleece.....	89	Alexander D. Ross.....	April 18, 1907
		Clark L. Angree, Sr.....	June 16, 1907
Good Faith.....	90	Walter Withers.....	Mar. 4, 1907
Antiquity.....	91	Stephen S. Drake.....	Feb. 5, 1907
Fraternal.....	92	Chas. H. Rines.....	Jan. 9, 1907
		John F. Whiting.....	Feb. 15, 1907
		Byron M. Van Alstein.....	April 9, 1907
Unity.....	93	Louis Mayo.....	Aug. 25, 1907
		A. E. Tucker.....	June 1, 1907
Keystone.....	94	Thomas M. Marcullus.....	May 6, 1907
Sherburne.....	95	N. K. Whittemore.....	May 30, 1907
		I. J. Lloyd.....	Dec. 16, 1907
		E. H. Davis.....	Jan. 3, 1907
Prudence.....	97	Silas D. Allen.....	April 4, 1907
Aurora.....	100	George H. Davis.....	Jan. 9, 1907
		Josiah M. Hallett.....	July 26, 1907
		Martin E. Bridgeman.....	Sept. 18, 1907
Fraternity.....	101	A. E. Raines.....	Aug. 15, 1907
Lebanon.....	102	Peter J. Hawley.....	April 12, 1907
		Peter A. McKay.....	Oct. 22, 1907
Mount Tabor.....	106	Lewis K. Rich.....	July 28, 1907
		William W. Rossman.....	Aug. 30, 1906
Sunset.....	109	Knud E. Leen.....	Aug. 30, 1907
		Richard S. Harler.....	Dec. 10, 1907
Pickwick.....	110	George N. Outhouse.....	Dec. 10, 1907
Khurum.....	112	Frank Shepard.....	Jan. 31, 1907
		E. B. Hayford.....	Mar. 15, 1907
		Edmund Eichorn.....	May 14, 1907
		C. M. Bingham.....	Oct. 29, 1907
		Fred W. Noeremberg.....	Nov. 7, 1907
		George F. Porter.....	Nov. 29, 1907
		Robert Augst.....	Nov. 30, 1907
Ben Franklin.....	114	Nels Nelson.....	April 3, 1907
Delta.....	119	Wm. H. Davy.....	Oct. 9, 1907
		Richard Simons.....	Oct. 17, 1907
		Thomas H. Wimer.....	April 17, 1907
Janesville.....	124	Robert O. Craig.....	July 13, 1907
		James O. Chandler.....	Dec. 22, 1907
Winslow Lewis.....	125	George Setzler.....	Nov. 14, 1907
Moorhead.....	126	Alexander D. Scott.....	Aug. 30, 1907
Josephus.....	128	Joseph Dobie.....	May 3, 1907
Cokato.....	134	Bruce M. Mattson.....	Nov. 4, 1907
Appleton.....	137	Dudley C. Dow.....	April 7, 1907
		Henry Halloway.....	May 13, 1907
Orion.....	138	P. M. Madson.....	Dec. 6, 1907
Little Falls.....	140	Jerome Mekusken.....	Oct. 30, 1907
Crookston.....	141	Joseph Sieberts.....	Mar. 30, 1907
		Cyrus Henry Jenks.....	Aug. 22, 1907
		Fred Martin Nieman.....	May 13, 1907
Currie.....	142	William H. Mellen.....	Feb. 1, 1907
Melrose.....	145	James Milton Steel.....	Dec. 16, 1907

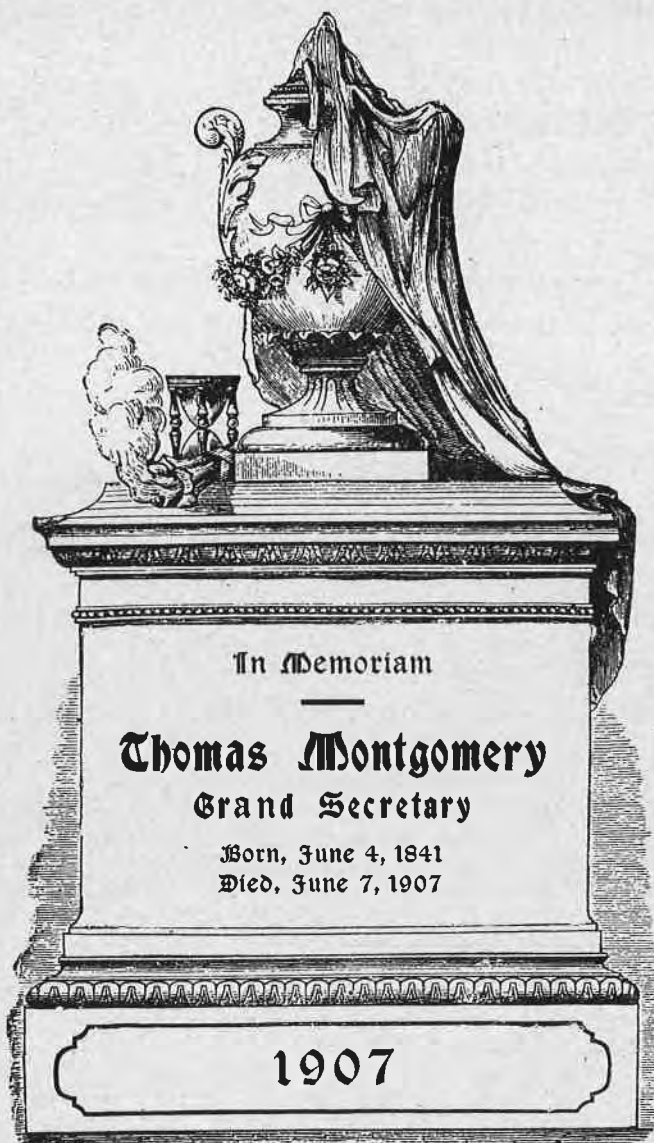
DEATHS IN 1907.—Continued.

Name of Lodge	No.	Name of Deceased	Date
Benton.....	146	John A. Broding.....	Mar. 14, 1906
Frontier.....	152	Jos. Lafferty.....	April 28, 1907
Tracy.....	155	Judson M. Robinson.....	Oct. 18, 1907
Wadena.....	156	Owen M. Owens.....	June 1, 1907
		Thomas Robb.....	Mar. 12, 1907
		William Wilson.....	Mar. 26, 1907
Perham.....	157	Albert G. Broker.....	Aug. 8, 1907
Plymouth.....	160	E. J. Sawyer.....	Oct. 17, 1907
		E. E. Blinn.....	Jan. 22, 1907
		A. F. Lenz.....	June 21, 1907
		Geo. C. Beeden.....	July 21, 1907
Prescott.....	162	I. H. Verdaux.....	Aug. 29, 1907
		Knute C. Helgeson.....	Dec. 8, 1907
Summit.....	163	Charles O. Winger.....	Dec. 10, 1907
		W. H. S. Wright.....	Nov. 28, 1907
Minnehaha.....	165	C. B. Bowlby.....	Dec. 31, 1907
Agate.....	167	Edwin R. Williams.....	Aug. 24, 1907
Braden.....	168	William Davidson.....	Mar. 24, 1907
		Samuel Hartstein.....	Feb. 2, 1907
		John Lindquist.....	Feb. 6, 1907
		Hans L. Gilbertson.....	June 30, 1907
Shekinah.....	171	Chas. M. Johnson.....	Nov. 24, 1907
Ark.....	176	William K. Dixon.....	Jan. 14, 1907
		William Berlandi.....	Sept. 17, 1907
		Louis D. Shipman.....	Feb. 5, 1907
		Frank R. Smith.....	Mar. 27, 1907
		Robert A. Elliott.....	May 3, 1907
		Francis B. Gove.....	Oct. 21, 1907
		Clarence W. William.....	Oct. 28, 1907
		Olof S. Lundberg.....	Nov. 22, 1907
Fairhaven.....	182	Stephen J. Wooster.....	Mar. 8, 1907
Shell.....	184	Peter Plein.....	Sept. 14, 1907
Midway.....	185	Christopher C. Elliott.....	Feb. 12, 1907
Ionic.....	186	Horace B. Moore.....	Dec. 23, 1906
		Harry C. Withrow.....	June 28, 1907
		Alton R. Chamberlain.....	Aug. 18, 1907
		Albert R. Ridgley.....	Nov. 27, 1907
Fortitude.....	188	James E. Kellogg.....	Mar. 13, 1907
		John M. McDonald.....	June 23, 1907
		Harry L. Holden.....	Nov. 22, 1907
Triune.....	190	M. W. Yerxa.....	April 1, 1907
		Harry L. Burrill.....	Nov. 17, 1907
		Geo. M. Lawes.....	Mar. 30, 1907
		Hugh Montgomery.....	July 8, 1907
Canton.....	194	Thomas Rich.....	Aug. 27, 1907
Euclid.....	198	Hugh Blain.....	May 28, 1907
Murray.....	199	Henry C. Grass.....	Dec. 20, 1906
Zenith.....	200	Edward Lee.....	Aug. 25, 1907
		Walter M. Blackman.....	Nov. 15, 1907
Crescent.....	207	John L. Ironson.....	Sept. 20, 1907
Itasca.....	208	John A. Sayers.....	Jan. 23, 1907
		Robert J. Clark.....	Mar. 20, 1907
		Grant S. Richards.....	Sept. 10, 1907
Sibley.....	209	Fred Podratz.....	May 70, 1907
Columbian.....	210	J. F. Hummiston.....	April 14, 1907
Friendship.....	211	Eldred P. Vallancey.....	June 15, 1907
Mora.....	223	Samuel Mattson.....	Oct. 10, 1907
Minnesota.....	224	Thos. J. Gray.....	Jan. 20, 1907
		E. P. Sweet.....	May 9, 1907
		Harry S. Ray.....	June 10, 1907
Vernon Center.....	228	William L. Louer.....	Mar. 31, 1907
Magnolia.....	231	Charles E. Andrews.....	Oct. 14, 1907
Bemidji.....	233	Rollin D. Feenendall.....	June 16, 1907
		William Henry Roberts.....	July 30, 1907
Sandstone.....	234	William Howard Atwood.....	Aug. 1907
Fides.....	246	John M. Swisher.....	April 10, 1907
Morton.....	252	Harley Cummins.....	Dec. 12, 1907
Lake Park.....	254	Albert Youngberg.....	Sept. 27, 1907
Hawley.....	256	George H. Davies.....	May 12, 1907
Montgomery.....	258	William Lewis.....	April 21, 1907
Compass.....	265	Edward P. Howe.....	Sept. 17, 1907

In Memoriam

Past Grand Masters of Other Jurisdictions

NAME	JURISDICTION	DATE OF DEATH
ELI HARRISON.....	Brit. Columbia....	Sept. 19, 1907
GEORGE KEITH KIMBALL....	Colorado.....	April 8, 1907
ASA SMITH.....	Connecticut.....	Sept. 29, 1907
ROBERT BRUCE DONALDSON..	Dist. of Columbia..	Nov. 22, 1907
CHRISTIAN FETTA.....	Indiana.....	Oct. 1, 1907
GEO. B. FREDERICK NEWCOMB	Manitoba.....	Dec. 8, 1907
JOSHUA B. THOMAS.....	Missouri.....	Nov. 15, 1907
NOAH M. GIVEN.....	Missouri.....	Oct. 3, 1907
WM. R. STUBBLEFIELD.....	Missouri.....	Jan. 10, 1908
ERASTUS E. STONE.....	Michigan.....	Jan. 1907
CHARLES L. STEPHANS.....	Michigan.....	Jan. 27, 1907
HENRY CHAMBERLAIN.....	Michigan.....	Feb. 9, 1907
CHARLES FITZROY BELLÖWS.	Michigan.....	April 16, 1907
CORNELIUS HEDGES.....	Montana.....	April 29, 1907
GEORGE W. LININGER.....	Nebraska.....	June 8, 1907
JOHN STEWART.....	New York.....	Jan. 1, 1908
CHARLES ALEX. WOODWARD.	Ohio.....	Feb. 15, 1907
EDW. LIVINGSTON FREEMAN.	Rhode Island.....	Feb. 24, 1907
WM. S. SMITH.....	Tennessee.....	July 28, 1907
ROBT. TEMPLEMAN CRAIGHILL	Virginia.....	Sept. 25, 1907
ROBERT ENOCH WITHERS. ...	Virginia.....	Sept. 21, 1907
GANEM W. WASHBURN.....	Wisconsin.....	Oct. 7, 1907
MYRON REED.....	Wisconsin.....	Oct. 21, 1907



APPENDIX I.

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS.

To all whom it may concern, greeting:

Know ye, that in accordance with a standing resolution of the Grand Lodge, I have divided the jurisdiction, and appointed District Deputy Grand Masters, as follows:

FIRST DISTRICT.

DANIEL SHAW (236) THIEF RIVER FALLS, D.: D.: G.: M.:

Crookston, No. 141.....	Crookston	Bemidji, No. 233.....	Bemidji
Warren, No. 150.....	Warren	Northern, No. 236.....	Thief River Falls
Norman, No. 154.....	Ada	Cass, No. 243.....	Cass Lake
Hallock, No. 212.....	Hallock	Warroad, No. 267.....	Warroad
Argyle, No. 215.....	Argyle	Roseau, No. 268.....	Roseau
Alpha, No. 230.....	Hendrum		

SECOND DISTRICT.

LEONARD H. RICE (184) PARK RAPIDS, D.: D.: G.: M.:

Aurora, No. 100.....	Brainerd	Shell, No. 184.....	Park Rapids
Mt. Tabor, No. 106.....	Detroit	Crescent, No. 207.....	Staples
Verndale, No. 139.....	Verndale	Mystic, No. 213.....	Aitkin
Wadena, No. 156.....	Wadena	Frazee, No. 241.....	Frazee
Perham, No. 157.....	Perham	Berry, No. 259.....	Akeley

THIRD DISTRICT.

JAMES A. ROBINSON (255) HIBBING, D.: D.: G.: M.:

Palestine, No. 79.....	Duluth	Euclid, No. 198.....	West Duluth
Dalles, No. 181.....	Cloquet	Itasca, No. 208.....	Grand Rapids
Ionic, No. 186.....	Duluth	Eveleth, No. 239.....	Eveleth
Fortitude, No. 188.....	Two Harbors	Mesaba, No. 255.....	Hibbing
Vermillion, No. 197.....	Tower	Virginia, No. 264.....	Virginia

FOURTH DISTRICT.

O. J. AAMODT (169) BARNESVILLE, D.: D.: G.: M.:

Corner Stone, No. 99.....	Fergus Falls	Evansville, No. 214.....	Evansville
Moorhead, No. 126.....	Moorhead	Park Region, No. 227.....	Elbow Lake
Frontier, No. 152.....	Breckenridge	Lake Park, No. 254.....	Lake Park
Agate, No. 167.....	Campbell	Hawley, No. 256.....	Hawley
Pierson, No. 169.....	Barnesville		

FIFTH DISTRICT.

WM. BARBER (159) LONG PRAIRIE, D.: D.: G.: M.:

Star in the West, No. 60.....	Sauk Centre	Sincerity, No. 161.....	Villard
Constellation, No. 81.....	Alexandria	Valley, No. 174.....	Glenwood
Melrose, No. 145.....	Melrose	Osakis, No. 180.....	Osakis
Long Prairie, No. 159.....	Long Prairie	Eagle Bend No. 269.....	Eagle Bend

SIXTH DISTRICT.

E. H. SHERWIN (16) MONTICELLO, D.: D.: G.: M.:

Monticello, No. 16.....	Monticello	Unity, No. 93.....	Sauk Rapids
North Star, No. 23.....	St. Cloud	Little Falls, No. 140.....	Little Falls
Clear Water, No. 28.....	Clear Water	Anchor, No. 178.....	Royalton

SEVENTH DISTRICT.

J. P. MCGINTY (30) ANOKA, D.: D.: G.: M.:

Anoka, No. 30.....	Anoka	Mora, No. 223.....	Mora
Fraternal, No. 92.....	Princeton	Lincoln, No. 226.....	Milaca
Sherburne, No. 95.....	Elk River	Sandstone, No. 234.....	Sandstone

EIGHTH DISTRICT.

J. Q. MACKINTOSH (1) STILLWATER, D.: D.: G.: M.:

St. John, No. 1.....	Stillwater	Garnet, No. 166.....	White Bear
Zion, No. 55.....	Taylor Falls	Chisago, No. 232.....	North Branch
Jasper, No. 164.....	Rush City	Fellowship, No. 257.....	North St. Paul

NINTH DISTRICT.

WALTER DIXON (173) KIMBALL, D.: D.: G.: M.:

Star, No. 62.....	Rockford	Plumb Line, No. 173.....	Kimball
Paynesville, No. 71.....	Paynesville	Fair Haven, No. 182.....	Annandale
Nelson, No. 135.....	Buffalo	Crow River, No. 192.....	Belgrade

TENTH DISTRICT.

O. C. HANSON (133) MORRIS, D.: D.: G.: M.:

Sharon, No. 104.....	Willmar	Prescott, No. 162.....	Herman
Swift, No. 129.....	Benson	Mt. Hermon, No. 219.....	Hancock
Golden Sheaf, No. 133.....	Morris	Raymond, No. 248.....	Raymond

ELEVENTH DISTRICT.

J. W. JOHNSON (89) LITCHFIELD, D.: D.: G.: M.:

Watertown, No. 50.....	Watertown	Cokato, No. 134.....	Cokato
Howard, No. 82.....	Howard Lake	Orion, No. 138.....	Atwater
Golden Fleece, No. 89.....	Litchfield	Griswold, No. 218.....	Dassel

TWELFTH DISTRICT.

WILLIAM BUSHNELL (205) WAYZATA, D.: D.: G.: M.:

Hennepin, No. 4.....	Minneapolis	Wayzata, No. 205.....	Wayzata
Minneapolis, No. 19.....	Minneapolis	Minnesota, No. 224.....	Minneapolis
Khurum, No. 112.....	Minneapolis	Albert Pike, No. 237.....	Hopkins
Excelsior, No. 113.....	Excelsior		

THIRTEENTH DISTRICT.

GEORGE E. SWIFT (265) ROBBINSDALE, D.: D.: G.: M.:

Cataract, No. 2.....	Minneapolis	Ark, No. 176.....	Minneapolis
Winslow Lewis, No. 125.....	Osseo	Arcana, No. 187.....	Minneapolis
Plymouth, No. 160.....	Minneapolis	Compass, No. 265.....	Robbinsdale
Minnehaha, No. 165.....	Minneapolis		

FOURTEENTH DISTRICT.

JOHN K. ROBINSON (5) ST. PAUL, D.: D.: G.: M.:

St. Paul, No. 3.....	St. Paul	Newport, No. 118.....	Newport
Ancient Landmark, No. 5.....	St. Paul	Braden, No. 168.....	St. Paul
Dakota, No. 7.....	Hastings	Montgomery, No. 258.....	St. Paul
Acacia, No. 51.....	Cottage Grove		

FIFTEENTH DISTRICT.

CHARLES MITCHELL (217) ST. PAUL, D.: D.: G.: M.:

Summit, No. 163.....	St. Paul	Mizpah, No. 191.....	South St. Paul
Shekinah, No. 171.....	St. Paul	Capital City, No. 217.....	St. Paul
Midway, No. 185.....	St. Paul	Tusler, No. 263.....	St. Paul
Triune, No. 190.....	St. Paul		

SIXTEENTH DISTRICT.

JAMES E. DEAN (211) GRACEVILLE, D.: D.: G.: M.:

Appleton, No. 137.....	Appleton	Traverse, No. 189.....	Wheaton
Lakeview, No. 143.....	Ortonville	Friendship, No. 211.....	Graceville
Kodahya, No. 153.....	Browns Valley		

SEVENTEENTH DISTRICT.

G. W. DIEPENBROCK (220) OLIVIA, D.: D.: G.: M.:

Sunset, No. 109.....	Montevideo	Hector, No. 158.....	Hector
Granite, No. 117.....	Granite Falls	Renville, No. 195.....	Renville
Bird Island, No. 144.....	Bird Island	Olivia, No. 220.....	Olivia

EIGHTEENTH DISTRICT.

AUGUST F. TRUWE (132) YOUNG AMERICA, D.: D.: G.: M.:

Hope, No. 42.....	Glencoe	Guardian, No. 149.....	Brownston
Temple, No. 59.....	Hutchinson	Chaska, No. 151.....	Chaska
Carver, No. 111.....	Carver	Stewart, No. 229.....	Stewart
Humboldt, No. 132.....	Young America	Astra, No. 240.....	Lester Prairie

NINETEENTH DISTRICT.

W. H. TOMLINSON (45) LE SUEUR, D.: D.: G.: M.:

King Hiram, No. 31.....	Jordan	Nicollet, No. 54.....	St. Peter
King Solomon, No. 44.....	Shakopee	Henderson, No. 80.....	Henderson
Union, No. 45.....	Le Sueur	Rough Ashlar, No. 177.....	Belle Plaine
Concord, No. 47.....	Cleveland		

 TWENTIETH DISTRICT.

H. L. HAYDEN (196) MADISON, D.: D.: G.: M.:

Antiquity, No. 91.....	Redwood Falls	Florence, No. 216.....	Wood Lake
Marietta, No. 172.....	Marietta	Barto, No. 249.....	Echo
Geneva, No. 196.....	Madison	Morton, No. 252.....	Morton
Atelier, No. 202.....	Dawson	Fairfax, No. 261.....	Fairfax

TWENTY-FIRST DISTRICT.

WM. A. HAWKINS (119) MARSHALL, D.: D.: G.: M.:

Delta, No. 119.....	Marshall	Equality, No. 238.....	Minneota
Benton, No. 146.....	Lake Benton	Ruthton, No. 242.....	Ruthton
Canby, No. 147.....	Canby	Coteau, No. 244.....	Russell
Quarry, No. 148.....	Pipestone	Morality, No. 247.....	Hendricks
St. Elmo, No. 204.....	Jasper	McKinley, No. 251.....	Tyler
Equity, No. 221.....	Cottonwood		

TWENTY-SECOND DISTRICT.

F. W. DAMP (136) WALNUT GROVE, D.: D.: G.: M.:

Keystone, No. 94.....	Sleepy Eye	Sibley, No. 209.....	Winthrop
Charity, No. 98.....	New Ulm	Justice, No. 225.....	Lamberton
Walnut, No. 136.....	Walnut Grove	Wabasso, No. 245.....	Wabasso
Tracy, No. 155.....	Tracy	Fides, No. 246.....	Sanborn
Zenith, No. 200.....	Springfield		

TWENTY-THIRD DISTRICT.

C. M. CRANDALL (101) WORTHINGTON, D.: D.: G.: M.:

Prudence, No. 79.....	Windom	Murray, No. 199.....	Slayton
Fraternity, No. 101.....	Worthington	Columbian, No. 210.....	Heron Lake
Ben Franklin, No. 114.....	Luverne	Edgerton, No. 235.....	Edgerton
Currie, No. 142.....	Currie	Lake Wilson, No. 262.....	Lake Wilson
Fulda, No. 170.....	Fulda	Onyx, No. 266.....	Westbrook
Roman Eagle, No. 175.....	Adrian		

TWENTY-FOURTH DISTRICT.

E. P. RUTAN (12) MANKATO, D.: D.: G.: M.:

Mankato, No. 12.....	Mankato	Bethel, No. 103.....	Lake Crystal
Madelia, No. 66.....	Madelia	Josephus, No. 128.....	Mapleton
Joppa, No. 76.....	Good Thunder	Amboy, No. 193.....	Amboy
Libanus, No. 96.....	St. James	Vernon Center, No. 228...	Vernon Center

TWENTY-FIFTH DISTRICT.

J. N. NICHOLSON (57) BLUE EARTH, D.: D.: G.: M.:

Blue Earth Valley, No. 27.....	Win. City	King David, No. 179.....	Elmore
Blue Earth City, No. 57.....	Blue Earth	Magnolia, No. 231.....	Sherburn
Chain Lake, No. 64.....	Fairmont	Lakefield, No. 250.....	Lakefield
Doric, No. 87.....	Wells	Truth, No. 260.....	Bricelyn
Good Faith, No. 90.....	Jackson		

TWENTY-SIXTH DISTRICT.

O. M. HENDERSON (9) FARIBAULT, D.: D.: G.: M.:

Faribault, No. 9.....	Faribault	Cannon River, No. 52.....	Morristown
Sakatah, No. 32.....	Waterville	Corinthian, No. 67.....	Farmington
Oriental, No. 34.....	Cannon Falls	Elysian, No. 222.....	Elysian
Social, No. 48.....	Northfield		

TWENTY-SEVENTH DISTRICT.

H. E. GATES (24) ALMA CITY, D.: D.: G.: M.:

Wilton, No. 24.....Alma City	Tuscan, No. 77.....Waseca
Western Star, No. 26.....Albert Lea	Janesville, No. 124.....Janesville
Star in the East, No. 33.....Owatonna	

TWENTY-EIGHTH DISTRICT.

JOHN McCABE (86) MAZEPPA, D.: D.: G.: M.:

Red Wing, No. 8.....Red Wng	Hermon, No. 41.....Zumbrota
Wapahosa, No. 14.....Wabasha	Tyrian, No. 86.....Mazeppa
Mystic Tie, No. 37.....Pine Island	Kellogg, No. 122.....Kellogg
Carnelian, No. 40.....Lake City	

TWENTY-NINTH DISTRICT.

JOHN J. McCAUGHEY (83) KASSON, D.: D.: G.: M.:

Mantorville, No. 11.....Mantorville	Huram Abi, No. 83.....Kasson
Rochester, No. 21.....Rochester	Relief, No. 108.....Dodge Center
Washington, No. 38.....West Concord	Kenyon, No. 201.....Kenyon

THIRTIETH DISTRICT.

H. C. BEAR (49) ST. CHARLES, D.: D.: G.: M.:

Harmony, No. 43.....Lewiston	Ashler, No. 61.....Eyota
Evergreen, No. 46.....Clyde	Illustrious, No. 63.....Plainview
Rising Sun, No. 49.....St. Charles	Elgin, No. 115.....Elgin
Meridian, No. 56.....Chatfield	

THIRTY-FIRST DISTRICT.

J. N. THATCHER (116) BROWNSDALE, D.: D.: G.: M.:

Fidelity, No. 39.....Austin	Prairie, No. 123.....Blooming Prairie
Lansing, No. 72.....Lansing	Alma, No. 131.....Lyle
Lafayette, No. 116.....Brownsdale	

THIRTY-SECOND DISTRICT.

OLIVER J. DICKENS (253) DEXTER, D.: D.: G.: M.:

Pleasant Grove, No. 22..Pleasant Grove	Grand Meadow, No. 121..Grand Meadow
Spring Valley, No. 58...Spring Valley	Stewartville, No. 203.....Stewartville
Eureka, No. 75.....Le Roy	Dexter, No. 253.....Dexter
High Forest, No. 85.....High Forest	

THIRTY-THIRD DISTRICT.

PETER HANSON (78) HOUSTON, D.: D.: G.: M.:

Preston, No. 36.....Preston	Orient, No. 84.....Money Creek
Mystic Star, No. 69.....Rushford	Lebanon, No. 102.....Lanesboro
Mystic Circle, No. 78.....Houston	Canton, No. 194.....Canton

THIRTY-FOURTH DISTRICT.

F. E. GARTSIDE (18) WINONA, D.: D.: G.: M.:

Winona, No. 18.....Winona	Morning Star, No. 29.....La Crescent
Caledonia, No. 20.....Caledonia	Pickwick, No. 110.....Pickwick

And the said District Deputy Grand Masters are authorized to perform the duties and exercise the powers pertaining to said office, within their respective districts, until the next Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Minnesota, unless otherwise ordered.

Dated the 8th day of February, A. D. 1908, A. L. 5908.

WILLIAM P. ROBERTS,
Grand Master.

ATTEST:

JOHN FISHEL,
Grand Secretary.

APPENDIX J.

GRAND MASTERS AND GRAND SECRETARIES, FEBRUARY, 1908

GRAND LODGE (English Speaking)	NAME OF GRAND MASTER	ADDRESS	NAME OF GRAND SECRETARY	ADDRESS
Alabama	Hugh S. D. Mallory	Selma	Geo. A. Beauchamp	Montgomery
Alberta	Hedley C. Taylor	Edmonton	Dr. G. Maedonald	Calgary
Arizona	Herbert Brown	Yuma	G. J. Roskrige	Tucson
Arkansas	M. W. Greeson	Prescott	Fay Hempstead	Little Rock
Brit. Col'mbia	Francis Bowser	Vancouver	It E. Brett	Victoria
California	George M. Perine	San Francisco	Geo. Johnston	San Francisco
Canada	Augustus T. Freed	Hamilton	R. L. Gunn	Hamilton, Ont.
Colorado	Joseph A. Davis	Boulder	Chas. H. Jacobson	Denver
Connecticut	Andrew J. Hallock	Danbury	J. H. Barlow	Hartford
Delaware	Thomas J. Day	Wilmington	Virginius V. Harrison	Wilmington
Dist. of Col.	Francis J. Woodman	Washington	A. W. Johnston	Washington
England	Duke of Connaught	London	Edward Letchworth	London
Florida	Elmer E. Haskell	Palatka	W. P. Webster	Jacksonville
Georgia	Thos. H. Jeffries	Atlanta	W. A. Wolihin	Macon
Idaho	Wm. C. Whitwell	Salmon	T. W. Randall	Boise
Illinois	Alexander H. Bell	Carlinville	Isaac Cutter	Camp Point
Indiana	Walter O. Bragg	Greenfield	C. W. Prather	Indianapolis
Indian Ter.	James B. Morrow	Checotah	J. S. Murrow	Atoka
Iowa	Rollin M. Hunter	Sibley	Newton R. Parvin	Cedar Rapids
Ireland	Duke of Abercorn	Dublin	H. E. Flavelle, dep.	Dublin
Kansas	Edward W. Wellington	Ellsworth	A. K. Wilson	Topeka
Kentucky	Henry P. Barrett	Henderson	H. B. Grant	Louisville
Louisiana	J. C. Drew	New Orleans	Richard Lambert	New Orleans
Maine	Chas. F. Johnson	Waterville	Stephen Berry	Portland
Manitoba	James Scroggie	Winnipeg	James A. Ovas	Winnipeg
Maryland	Thos. J. Shrvock	Baltimore	Wm. M. Isaac	Baltimore
Massachusetts	John Albert Blake	Malden	S. D. Nickerson	Reed City
Michigan	Charles E. Sweet	Dowagiac	Lou B. Winsor	St. Paul
Minnesota	Wm. P. Roberts	Minneapolis	John Fishel	Vicksburg
Mississippi	Edwin J. Martin	Meridian	Frederic Speed	St. Louis
Missouri	John T. Short	Jefferson City	John H. Parson	St. Louis
Montana	S. C. Kenyon	Bozeman	Cornelius Hedges Jr	Helena
Nebraska	Ornan J. King	Lincoln	F. E. White	Omaha
Nevada	Robert Lewers	Reno	C. N. Noteware	Carson City
New Brunswick	John S. D. Chapman	St. Stephen	J. T. Hart	St. John
N. Hampshire	Wm. A. Plummer	Laconia	F. D. Woodbury	Concord
New Jersey	A. H. McGregor	Newark	T. H. R. Redway	Tronton
New Mexico	J. W. Wilson	Roswell	A. A. Keen	Albuquerque
New S. Wales	H. H. Rawson (Gov.)	Sydney	A. H. Bray	Sydney
New York	Townsend Scudder	Christchurch	E. M. L. Ehlers	New York
New Zealand	Lord Plunkett (Gov.)	Windsor	Malcolm Niccol	Christchurch
N. Carolina	F. D. Winston	Dickinson	J. C. Drewry	Raleigh
N. Dakota	John Riessbeck	Amherst	F. J. Thompson	Fargo
Nova Scotia	Chas. R. Smith	Marion	Thos. Mowbray	Halifax
Ohio	Geo. D. Copeland	El Reno	J. H. Brownell	Cincinnati
Oklahoma	Earl Beebe	Salem	J. S. Hunt	Guthrie
Oregon	Lot L. Pearce	Philadelphina	J. F. Robinson	Portland
Pennsylvania	G. W. Hendrick, Jr.	Charlottetown	W. A. Sinn	Philadelphina
P. E. Island	W. K. Rogers	Montreal	N. MacKelvie	Summerside
Quebec	Geo. O. Stanton	Brisbane	Will H. Whyte	Montreal
Queensland	Lord Chelmsford (Gov.)	Providence	Chas. H. Hurley	Brisbane
Rhode Island	A. A. Armington	Indian Head	S. P. Williams	Providence
Saskatchewan	H. H. Campkin	Edinburgh	J. M. Shaw	Regina
Scotland	Chas. M. Ramsey	Adelaide	David Reid	Edinburgh
S. Australia	Samuel J. Way	Abbeville	J. H. Cunningham	Adelaide
S. Carolina	Frank E. Harrison	Abbeville	Jacob T. Barron	Columbia
S. Dakota	Wm. E. Milligan	Hobart	G. A. Pettigrew	Sioux Falls
Tasmania	C. E. Davies	Gallatin	John Hamilton	Hobart
Tennessee	G. E. Seay	Wichita Falls	J. B. Garrett	Nashville
Texas	W. Lee Moore	Salt Lake City	John Watson	Waco
Utah	Wm. J. Barrette	St. Johnsbury	Christopher Diehl	Salt Lake City
Vermont	Chas. A. Calderwood	Melbourne	Henry H. Ross	Burlington
Victoria	W. Balls-Headley	Fredricksburg	David Meadowcroft	Melbourne
Virginia	S. J. Quinn	Seattle	G. W. Carrington	Richmond
Washington	R. C. McAllaster	Perth	Horace W. Tyler	Tacoma
W. Australia	C. O. L. Riley	Parkersburg	J. D. Stevenson	Perth
W. Virginia	Jas. A. Bryan	Neillsville	Hiram B. Howard	Point Pleasant
Wisconsin	S. M. Marsh	Laramie	W. W. Perry	Milwaukee
Wyoming	F. S. King		W. L. Kuykendall	Saratoga

APPENDIX K.

REPRESENTATIVES OF GRAND LODGES.

TO			FROM	
Name	Residence	State	Name	Residence
Angus M. Scott...	Headland...	Alabama	A. Brandenburg...	Fergus Falls
A. E. Jamieson...	Edmonton...	Alberta	E. P. Dotson...	Sanborn
Andrew E. Douglass...	Flagstaff...	Arizona	W. C. Masterman...	Stillwater
S. T. Rowe...	Greenwood...	Arkansas	Sheldon L. Frazer...	Duluth
Albert Kruger...	Antwerp...	Belgium	A. Brandenburg...	Fergus Falls
Chas. E. Tisdall...	Vancouver...	Brit. Columbia	Wm. A. Nolan...	Gr'd Meadow
A. A. Stevenson...	Montreal...	Canada	E. W. Durant...	Stillwater
Henry M. Teller...	Central City...	Colorado	F. L. Searing...	Mankato
Edmund Tweedy...	Danbury...	Connecticut	O. M. Henderson...	Faribault
Carlos D. Scott...	Havana...	Cuba	E. E. Swan...	Stewart
Chas. C. King...	Newark...	Delaware	Henry R. Denny...	St. Paul
C. W. Hancock...	Washington...	Dist. Columbia	J. D. Markham...	Rush City
J. W. Laurie, M. P.		England		
Edmund N. Holt...	Gr'n Cove Sp'g	Florida	Wm. P. Roberts...	Minneapolis
J. L. Gilmer...	Lela...	Georgia	Wm. B. Patton...	Duluth
Reese Pickering...	Genesee...	Idaho	Gustaf Widell...	Mankato
R. H. Wheeler...	Chicago...	Illinois	A. T. Stebbins...	Rochester
O. W. Brownback...	Pendleton...	Indiana	Wm. S. Combs...	St. Paul
F. H. Nash...	Fort Gibson...	Indian Territory	John M. Rowley...	Rochester
Oliver Fry...	Dublin...	Ireland	C. P. Montgomery...	St. Paul
A. M. Jackson...	Leavenworth...	Kansas	Calvin L. Brown...	Morris
L. L. Schwartz...	New Orleans...	Louisiana	Chas. W. Nash...	Marietta S.D.
John B. Redman...	Ellsworth...	Maine	Henry R. Adams...	Minneapolis
Thos. W. Taylor...	Winnipeg...	Manitoba	H. C. Shepard...	Indianapolis
Chas. C. Homer, Jr.	Baltimore...	Maryland	Elmer A. Kling...	Little Falls
John Woodruff...	Niles...	Michigan	A. Brandenburg...	Fergus Falls
W. R. Montgomery...	Cornersville...	Mississippi	Henry R. Wells...	Preston
Howard Watson...	St. Louis...	Missouri	W. A. McGonagle...	Duluth
Theo. Brantly...	Helena...	Montana	A. D. Countryman...	Appleton
Geo. A. Beecher...	Kearney...	Nebraska	A. G. Pinkham...	St. Paul
R. A. Bulmer...	Virginia...	Nevada	A. Marden...	New Ulm
Thos. Walker, M. D.	St. John...	New Brunswick	Thos. Morris...	Crookston
A. S. Batchelor...	Littleton...	New Hampshire	John H. Sprout...	Blue Earth
Edwin Venable...	Long Branch...	New Jersey	Day, W. Knowlton...	Minneapolis
Arthur Boyle...	Santa Fe...	New Mexico	Chas. G. Hinds...	Shakopee
A. J. Scott...	Sydney...	New S. Wales	H. M. Tusler...	St. Paul
John S. Denton...	Jamaica...	New York	Wm. C. Odell...	Chaska
Thos. A. Peterkin...	Westport...	New Zealand	Alex G. McKnight...	Duluth
F. D. Winston...	Windsor...	North Carolina	I. B. B. Sprague...	St. Paul
Wm. H. Campbell...	Kenmare...	North Dakota	Henry R. Wells...	Preston
Louis H. Morse...	Digby...	Nova Scotia	John Liddell...	Wadena
Ralph R. Rickley...	Columbus...	Ohio	W. A. McGonagle...	Duluth
Wm. M. Anderson...	Enid...	Oklahoma Ter.	H. W. Hendrickson...	Montevideo
G. L. Story...	Portland...	Oregon	Gid. S. Ives...	St. Paul
John D. Bell...	Montague...	P. Edw'd Island	A. T. Stebbins...	Rochester
John P. Noyes...	Sweetsburg...	Quebec	Edwin H. Foot...	Red Wing
John Lang...	Brisbane...	Queensland	E. H. Sherwin...	Monticello
J. C. Champlin...	Block Island...	Rhode Island	Henry R. Adams...	Minneapolis
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Sam'l Henry Good...		South Australia	A. D. Countryman...	Appleton
J. W. Ardrey...	Fort Mill...	South Carolina	Irving Todd...	Hastings
Frank A. Brown...	Aberdeen...	South Dakota	Henry R. Wells...	Preston
M. R. Goans...	Loudon...	Tennessee	H. M. Tusler...	St. Paul
		Texas	Wm. A. Hawkins...	Marshall
J. M. Merritt...	Salt Lake City...	Utah	Henry M. Tusler...	St. Paul
Edwin Wheelock...	Cambridge...	Vermont	Sam'l E. Adams...	Minneapolis
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Wm. H. Pleasants...	Hollins...	Virginia	Edgar Nash...	Minneapolis
Joseph A. Kuhn...	Pt. Townsend...	Washington	Thomas Morris...	Crookston
R. D. McKenzie...	Kalgoorlie...	W. Australia	W. A. McGonagle...	Duluth
John D. Baines...	Charleston...	West Virginia	Chas. L. West...	Austin
W. W. Perry...	Madison...	Wisconsin	Fenton G. Warner...	St. Paul

California. Iowa Kentucky, Massachusetts, Pennsylvania and Wyoming do not exchange

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APPENDIX L.

To the M.'. W.'. Grand Lodge of Minnesota:

Your committee on foreign correspondence has received and examined the following grand lodge proceedings:

ALABAMA, 1906.

The eighty-sixth annual communication was held at Montgomery, Dec. 4th and 5th, R.'. W.'. B. M. Jacobs, acting Grand Master. Three hundred and sixty-eight lodges represented; four hundred and twenty-six on the roll. Six past grand masters and our representative present.

Twenty-seven dispensations for new lodges; one reorganization and one consolidation: one charter forfeited. Membership eighteen thousand, one hundred, and ninety-one; gain fifteen hundred and twenty-four. Receipts \$8,905.

The death of Bro. H. H. Matthews, grand master, was announced. His portrait is given as a frontispiece.

Fifteen local decisions were reported; the contributions for the California sufferers were announced as \$3,883.88; the Grand Lodge of Alberta was recognized, and the application of the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico denied; the constitutional amendment rendering a grand master ineligible for reelection in six years was approved by over two-thirds of the lodges, and declared adopted, and that levying a per capita tax of \$1 for a masonic home was lost by a vote of one hundred and thirty-five to two hundred and eighty; the eleven lodges failing to report their action on the proposed amendments were ordered to appear and show cause next year; the \$583.88 surplus for California relief was turned over to the

home fund; the salary of the grand secretary was increased to \$1,800, a well-deserved compliment to Bro. G. A. Beauchamp; a collection of \$76.20 was taken for the benefit of a brother; the sum of \$1,091.53 was acknowledged as received for the purchase of a home for the family of the late grand master; an edict was adopted defining masonry to be neither a political or business organization, and prohibiting masons from appealing to the craft to further their personal aspirations; twenty charters were granted, and eight dispensations continued; the committee on propositions and grievances was made a standing committee; the constitutional amendment increasing the per capita tax \$1 for the home fund was ordered resubmitted to the lodges, and another committee on education appointed.

The report on foreign correspondence is by Bro. W. Y. Titcomb as usual, who gives four pages to a review of Minnesota for 1906, in which he says:

Grand Master Tusler made nearly one hundred official visitations during his term of office. If all grand masters could emulate this example much good would follow.

The grand orator "delivered an excellent oration, which was listened to attentively and heartily received at the close." The impression it makes on us is that it evinces fine command of language, considerable research, and a vivid imagination.

The Masonic Veteran Association had, in its fourteenth annual reunion, a very interesting meeting.

That the report on foreign correspondence as presented by Bro. Irving Todd, chairman of the committee, is a work of marked ability goes without saying. We wish we had the power of expressing so much as Bro. Todd does in so few words. Alabama, 1904, receives courteous attention, our proceedings are judiciously summarized, and the writer is kindly noticed. Bro. Todd ably epitomizes our views on twenty different topics.

Bro. Titcomb thinks that a reprimand is too light a penalty for the voluntary disclosure of a ballot; that a masonic lodge, to be successful, must be harmonious; that there is no valid objection to the use of the term meeting instead of communication; that lodges have a right to use their surplus funds as

they think best; that a lodge, when open, should always be able to exhibit its authority to work; that the flag fad is an innovation in the body of masonry; and that instead of abolishing the past master's degree in symbolic masonry it should be eliminated from capitular.

The reprint, 1821 to 1839, was issued by the grand secretary with his invariable promptness, a welcome addition to every masonic library. Most of the original pamphlets have been out of print for years.

M.°. W.°. B. M. Jacobs, Birmingham, Grand Master; R.°. W.°. G. A. Beauchamp, Montgomery, reëlected Grand Secretary; Bro. W. Y. Titcomb, Anniston, committee on foreign correspondence.

ALBERTA, 1905.

A convention was held at Calgary, May 24, 1905, for the purpose of organizing a grand lodge in the new province of Alberta, with G. H. Hogbin as chairman and George Macdonald as secretary. Nine lodges represented.

An adjourned convention was held at Calgary, July 6th, but, as the autonomy bill had not been carried through, only eight lodges were represented.

An adjourned convention was held at Calgary, Oct. 12th and 13th. Seventeen of the eighteen lodges represented. It was formally resolved to constitute a grand lodge; grand officers were elected, and installed by M.°. W.°. W. G. Scott, Grand Master of Manitoba; a banquet was served by the local brethren; the constitution of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba was adopted, with the necessary alterations and changes; and a set of regalia for the grand master and deputy grand master was ordered, with sets for two grand officers to be bought annually until all are supplied.

M.°. W.°. George Macdonald, Calgary, Grand Master; R.°. W.°. J. J. Dunlop, Edmonton, Grand Secretary.

1906.

The first annual communication was held at Medicine Hat, Feb. 20th and 21st, R. W. O. W. Kealy, junior grand warden presiding. Fifteen lodges represented; eighteen on the roll. The grand master, deputy grand master, and senior grand warden absent.

Two dispensations for new lodges. Membership twelve hundred and six; gain thirty-seven. Receipts \$801.88.

A brief address was transmitted by the grand master, who had been suddenly summoned east, and a letter of sympathy was ordered to be sent him; the grand secretary was allowed \$300 for his services; two charters were granted; a revised constitution was submitted and adopted, and a new committee appointed to bring it into a consistent form; high appreciation was expressed to the local brethren for the entertainment offered; a suitable testimonial was voted to the retiring grand master; and the rank of past master was conferred on the grand tyler.

M. W. O. W. Kealy, Medicine Hat, Grand Master; R. W. J. J. Dunlop, Edmonton, reelected Grand Secretary.

1907.

The second annual communication was held at Macleod, Feb. 20th and 21st, M. W. O. W. Kealy, Grand Master. Sixteen lodges represented; twenty on the roll. One past grand master present.

Five dispensations for new lodges. Membership sixteen hundred and twenty-seven; gain four hundred and twenty-one. Receipts \$1,653.33.

The death of Bro. Thomas Tweed, honorary past grand master, was announced.

The portrait is that of the grand master.

The following pertinent criticism is found in the address:

I signed ten dispensations to lodges permitting them to attend divine service masonically clothed, in compliance with the usual custom

in such cases. It puzzles me to understand what the object is for these parades. As masons we acknowledge the existence of God, but the attendance at a place of worship implies that masons go further. I very much fear that these "attendances at divine worship" would amount to very little if the parade was not made a part of it and each went to his own place of worship (should he have one). We have amongst our numbers Jews and Unitarians, possibly those who believe in but one person of the Holy Trinity, and why ask them to go through what to them is a farce? Why compel a Catholic to go to a place of worship in which he has nothing in common, and so with a Methodist, or any other of the many divisions in religion? If there was one place of public worship where masons could honestly go and as honestly say they were united in a common worship, well and good; but so long as our lodges are the only places in which we can unitedly say that there is a God "before whom we should all with reverence most humbly bow," and in which we are actually united in the bonds of fellowship and love, so long should we keep from these parades, in which we pretend a unity which does not actually exist. If we must parade to a church, do not let us cut out any one; let us take the synagogue, Roman church, or any other place of worship (not forgetting the Unitarians), each in its turn, and show the universality of masonry, when you can show nothing else.

A handsome chain collar was presented to their first grand master; the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan was recognized; the \$147 collected for California relief was ordered returned to the subscribing lodges; five warrants were granted and two withheld for the present; a special committee was appointed to secure incorporation; a grant of \$30 was made as the nucleus of a library; the special committee on ritual recommended that lodges be permitted to use either the Canadian or American work, at their discretion; motions to prevent dual membership and for the transaction of lodge business in the first degree were lost; the grand secretary was instructed to supply the lodges with necessary books and supplies at a trifle above cost; the committee on masonic home reported in favor of free will offerings instead of per capita tax; grand representatives were requested to furnish a report from the grand lodge represented in lieu of a report on foreign correspondence; a chain collar was ordered for the retiring grand

master; and a vote of thanks was tendered to the mayor and corporation of Macleod for their kindly welcome.

M. W. H. C. Taylor, Edmonton, Grand Master; M. W. George Macdonald, Calgary, Grand Secretary.

ARIZONA, 1906.

The twenty-fifth annual communication was held at Phoenix, Nov. 13th, 14th and 15th, M. W. E. S. Miller, Grand Master. Seventeen lodges represented; nineteen on the roll. Twelve past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Membership thirteen hundred and ninety-four; gain one hundred and two. Receipts \$1,800.80.

The portrait is that of the grand master.

There is nothing of interest in the address; the California relief fund was stated at \$1,895; the grand lecturer was instructed to visit all lodges during the year, his salary being \$3 per day and railroad fare; thanks were extended to the local brethren and the railroads; and a jewel was presented to the retiring grand master.

M. W. Herbert Brown, Yuma, Grand Master; V. W. G. J. Roskrue, Tucson, reelected Grand Secretary.

ARKANSAS, 1906.

The sixty-fourth regular communication was held at Little Rock, Nov. 20th and 21st, M. W. A. B. Grace, Grand Master. Four hundred and twenty-five lodges represented; four hundred and ninety on the roll. Seven past grand masters present, including our representative.

Nine dispensations for new lodges; two charters arrested, and one surrendered. Membership eighteen thousand, one hundred, and seventy three; gain six hundred and ninety-three. Receipts \$12,372.

The death of Bro. J. G. Fletcher, president of the board of control of the masonic temple, was announced.

The portrait is that of the grand master elect, with a group of grand lodge officers.

Thirty-six decisions were reported, none of general interest; the contributions to California relief were given at \$1,166.95; twelve charters and six dispensations were granted, three charters restored, one taken up, and three dispensations continued; the temple debt was stated at \$33,500, with a large expenditure necessary to render it a modern building; the trustees of the orphans' home reported that a suitable site had been tendered by the city of Batesville, which was accepted; a collection of \$52 was taken for a needy brother; the Grand Lodge of Alberta was recognized; an interesting address was delivered by Bro. R. A. Rowe, grand orator; the master's degree was conferred, with magnificent scenic and electric accessories; the committee on masonic law and usage held that any employe of a liquor concern was a violator of their masonic law; that a copy of the lodge by-laws should be presented each candidate at his raising; that an expert accountant should be employed to arrange new forms of books and blanks for the grand secretary's office; the board of control was directed to advertise for bids for the sale of the temple; the salary of the grand secretary was increased to \$1,500; and a very fraternal letter was received from Bro. G. A. Dannelly, their senior past grand master.

The following instructions for giving the public grand honors were adopted:

Resolved, That the public grand honors (not funeral honors) should be given by raising the hands above and a little in front of the head and clapping them once and then letting them fall to the side, repeating this action twice, making three times that the hands are brought together. This resolution shall take the place of and repeal Sec. 360 of the Digest of 1900.

M. W. Jacob Trieber, Grand Master; R. W. Fay Hempstead reelected Grand Secretary; both of Little Rock.

BRITISH COLUMBIA, 1907.

The thirty-sixth annual communication was held at Vancouver, June 20th and 21st, M. W. J. H. Schofield, Grand Master. Thirty-five lodges represented; forty on the roll. Seven past grand masters and our representative present.

One dispensation for a new lodge. Membership three thousand, two hundred, and fifty-eight; gain thirty-eight. Receipts \$4,673.75.

The portraits are of the grand master and two past grand masters.

Three local decisions were reported, together with nine dispensations to attend divine service in regalia; the application of the Grand Lodge of Guatemala for recognition was indefinitely postponed; the grand librarian reported an increase of one hundred and twenty-one bound volumes during the year; \$1,500 were transferred to the charity fund, which is reported at \$17,608.47; a constitutional amendment was adopted, providing that a recommendation for expulsion shall carry with it suspension from all the rights and privileges of masonry, pending the decision of grand lodge; one charter was granted, and one dispensation continued; grants of \$125 and \$200 were made to two lodges as a part refund of money paid out by them for charity; the committee on constitution held that a warrant could be issued to a lodge in Yukon Territory, it being masonically unoccupied; the officers of a subordinate lodge were suspended for six and three months for admitting an applicant who should have been declared rejected; a grant of \$400 was made to the grand lodge library; a brief address was delivered by Bro. H. G. Fiennes-Clinton, grand chaplain; two lodges were chartered in Yukon Territory; and a donation of \$500 was made to the Anti-Tuberculosis Society of British Columbia out of the charity fund.

The usual interesting report on foreign correspondence was presented by Bro. W. A. De Wolf Smith, the following paragraphs being taken from the write-up of Minnesota:

The grand master's address is a plain statement of his official acts.

A number of special dispensations were granted, thirteen of them, we regret to note, being to authorize lodges to confer degrees upon more than five candidates at the same communication. A member of one of our lodges informs us that he recently visited a lodge in Minneapolis when the master's degree was conferred upon eighteen candidates at one meeting.

Bro. Irving Todd presented another admirable report on foreign correspondence. No list is given of the proceedings reviewed, but most of the English speaking grand lodges seem to have received attention.

An index was prepared as a matter of course, but cut out on account of the printer's strike.

Bro. De Wolf Smith believes in masonic relief without any string to it; that it is not very edifying for a grand master to admit that he has not the strength of mind to do what is right; that the matter of having wine at banquets and the cost of the menu should be left to the lodge, without interference by the grand lodge; that knowledge of masonic affairs is the last qualification usually considered in selecting district deputy grand masters; that so far as pure masonry is concerned Mexico is open territory; that a mason regularly made in Scotland must be recognized as such everywhere, to which we most emphatically dissent, when taken from our rejected material over there on a visit; that a written record of grand lodge proceedings should be kept by the grand secretary, for matters not printable; that there should be no objection to the loose-leaf method of keeping lodge records; that some of the grand lodge legislation may be accounted for upon the theory that the brothers responsible are trying to modernize masonry and to assimilate it to the mushroom societies of the day; that the next thing expected is to hear that the opening of a real estate office or the indulging in a horse trade is made a masonic offense; that much of the non-affiliation is due to the fact that too many masons are made of men who have no sympathy with the institution; that the interests of the craft would be better served if a capable grand master were kept in office for a term of years; that a home is an expensive

and generally unsatisfactory way of caring for our charges; that some of our constitutions have tied the lodges so that about all they can do is to confer degrees; that it is not necessary for a master or warden to open the lodge before asking another brother to preside; and that if any masonic authority has jurisdiction over a profane it is the lodge, and not the grand master or the grand lodge.

M. . W. . Francis Bowser, Vancouver, Grand Master; V. . W. . R. E. Brett, Victoria, reelected Grand Secretary; Bro. W. A. De Wolf Smith, New Westminster, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

CALIFORNIA, 1906.

The fifty-seventh annual communication was held at San Francisco, Oct. 9th to 12th, M. . W. . M. H. Flint, Grand Master. Two hundred and forty lodges represented; two hundred and ninety-eight on the roll. Thirteen past grand masters present.

Ten dispensations for new lodges. Membership thirty-three thousand, seven hundred, and sixty-one; gain two thousand, two hundred, and eight. Receipts \$44,586.30.

The deaths of Bro. William Johnston and Bro. H. N. Rucker, past grand masters, were announced.

The portrait is that of the grand master.

The decisions are of local interest only; a large portion of the address is necessarily occupied with a report of the relief work occasioned by the terrible disaster in April, the total receipts being \$225,692.10, thus repaying the charity so freely extended during the past half century with usury; the site of the burned temple was reported sold for \$750,000, and a committee was appointed to consider the question of rebuilding; ten charters were granted and one surrendered; the publication of the roster of lodges and the bi-monthly circular of suspensions, restorations, etc., was ordered resumed; a plain, sensible address was delivered by Bro. Oscar Lawler, grand orator; memorial addresses were delivered upon the lives and

characters of the two deceased past grand masters; the committee on jurisprudence recommended that the grand representative system be continued in force as heretofore; a resolution was adopted prohibiting the reading of reports of investigating committees in lodge or the announcement of the names of its members, only the character of the reports to be stated; a constitutional amendment was adopted authorizing the grand master, in his discretion, to issue a dispensation for a new lodge when the nearest lodge refuses to grant its recommendation; the temple committee recommended that a new corporation be organized to purchase a site and erect a suitable building, the grand lodge to take \$210,000 in stock; the home committee reported the disbursement of \$31,902.45 during the year; a general regulation was adopted requiring the wardens to perfect themselves in the entered apprentice and fellow craft degrees before installation; and the retiring grand master was presented with the regulation chest of silver.

Bro. A. W. Davies prepared his final report on correspondence, a brief paper of sixty-four pages, of which Minnesota has one, in which he says:

Bro. Irving Todd, of Hastings, submits the usual report of the committee on correspondence, of which he is chairman, and the present is no exception to the general excellence of his reports.

The guild greatly regrets the circumstances which caused the retirement of the esteemed brother.

M. W. E. H. Hart, Grand Master; V. W. George Johnson reelected Grand Secretary; Bro. J. B. Stevens, chairman of the committee on correspondence; all of San Francisco.

CANADA, 1907.

The fifty-second annual communication was held at Ottawa, July 17th and 18th, M. W. J. H. Burritt, Grand Master. Two hundred and ninety-seven lodges represented: three hundred and ninety-eight on the roll. Eight past grand masters present, headed by our representative.

Three dispensations for new lodges. Membership thirty-nine thousand, seven hundred, and ninety-five; gain two thousand, one hundred, and sixty-seven. Receipts \$32,824.03.

The portrait is that of the grand master elect.

The address pertains chiefly to business affairs in the jurisdiction, with seventeen local rulings; the assistant secretary was retired owing to advancing age, at a life salary of \$800; the grand secretary was allowed \$1,400 per year for assistance in his office; eleven pages of special dispensations were reported, largely to attend divine service and at homes, an unnecessary burden upon the grand master; four warrants were granted, and two dispensations continued; the amount expended for benevolence was reported at nearly \$40,000; Bro. J. R. Robertson was reelected grand historian; thanks were tendered the local brethren for their kindness and attention; and a testimonial was voted the retiring grand master.

A brief report on foreign correspondence was prepared by Bro. Henry Robertson, with the following compliment to Minnesota:

The address is a concise narrative of official acts, and it conveys the idea of an efficient and useful officer.

M. W. A. T. Freed, Grand Master; M. W. Hugh Murray reelected Grand Secretary, both of Hamilton; Bro. Henry Robertson, Collingwood, committee on foreign correspondence.

COLORADO, 1906.

The forty-sixth annual communication was held at Denver, Sept. 18th and 19th, M. W. C. F. Painter, Grand Master. One hundred and five lodges represented; one hundred and seven on the roll. Twenty-one past grand masters present, our representative heading the list.

Three dispensations for new lodges. Membership eleven thousand, five hundred, and one; gain five hundred and eight. Receipts \$12,664.50.

The deaths of Bro. A. H. Branch, past grand master, and Bro. John Humphreys, senior grand warden, were announced.

The portraits are of the grand master elect, Bro. L. N. Greenleaf, chairman of the committee on correspondence, and the two deceased brethren.

The address is a complete statement of the work of the year, and necessarily a very long one; the California relief fund was stated at \$3,754.70, and the benevolent fund at \$12,187.94; three charters were granted; the Bromwell Company reported that \$825 of the \$1,500 loan had been repaid; the by-laws were amended requiring a dimit to accompany every petition for affiliation; the Grand Lodge of Alberta was recognized; a brief address was delivered by Bro. J. B. Haffy, grand orator; special committees were appointed to visit two past grand masters, sick at home; a request from No. 105 to be given its old charter and No. 29 was very properly laid on the table; a memorial concerning the exclusive right of a grand lodge to govern the craft within its own jurisdiction, and aiming at the cerneaus, was published in full for information, and for action next year if desired; and a jewel was presented to the retiring grand master.

The reason for the grand lodge manifesto, introduced by Bro. H. M. Teller, their senior past grand master, is not apparent at this long range, but indicates that there have been some recent cerneau developments in that jurisdiction not yet made public. In common with many of the older reviewers we greatly regret the reappearance of this much vexed topic, and fear that more evil than good will result from its inevitable discussion. We should greatly prefer to consider it as a closed incident.

The report on correspondence was the handiwork of Bro. L. N. Greenleaf as a matter of course, and it is an excellent one. Concerning Minnesota he writes:

Bro. E. A. Kling, grand orator, delivered a very scholarly address.

The committee on necrology presented a report six lines in length. This is the second instance we have noticed since we began this report of brevity in the memorials of the dead.

Bro. Irving Todd still furnishes a most readable report on correspondence. Colorado for 1905 is reviewed. He quotes the first decision of Grand Master James, which he says is a very good one, notes the oration of Bro. Musser, and condenses the routine business into half a page. Quotes from our report the pleasant things we have to say of that grand jurisdiction, and thus ends the chapter.

M. W. A. E. Jones, Grand Master; R. W. C. H. Jacobson reëlected Grand Secretary; Bro. L. N. Greenleaf, chairman of the committee on correspondence; all of Denver.

1907.

The forty-seventh annual communication was held at Denver, Sept. 17th and 18th, M. W. A. E. Jones, Grand Master. One hundred and seven lodges represented; one hundred and nine on the roll. Twenty-six past grand masters present, our representative included.

Five dispensations for new lodges. Membership twelve thousand, two hundred, and twenty-six; gain seven hundred and twenty-five. Members exempt from grand lodge dues one thousand, seven hundred, and sixty-eight. Receipts \$12,895.52.

The death of Bro. G. K. Kimball, past grand master, was announced.

The portrait is that of the grand master elect.

The address is largely made up of statistics, with three local rulings; the benevolent fund was reported at \$20,207.76, an increase of \$8,019.82 for the year; the Bromwell Company reduced its indebtedness to \$100; the grand lodges of Saskatchewan and Queensland were recognized; an able address was delivered by Bro. H. W. Woodward, grand orator; several amendments to the constitution were adopted, one being that no lodge shall be opened or do business unless there are three members present; five charters were granted; the rebate of \$759.94 from California was ordered returned to the brethren in San Francisco, to be used as they see fit; a letter of regret was forwarded to the only absent past grand

master now living; the bi-centenary committee reported that as 1917 was far removed, further action should be deferred: the corner stone of the new auditorium was laid, in the entered apprentice degree; and a jewel was presented to the retiring grand master.

Bro. L. N. Greenleaf submitted his twenty-third report on correspondence, the nineteenth in consecutive order, and fully up to his high standard. The following paragraphs are copied from the review of Minnesota:

The widows' and orphans' fund amounts to \$13,729.15, well invested in interest paying securities.

The oration of Bro. Owen Morris, grand orator, contained some sensible views on masonic duties, concisely expressed.

Bro. Irving Todd presents a concise report on correspondence as usual, giving the salient points in the proceedings of sister grand lodges. Colorado failed to reach him.

The appendix contains the proceedings of the Masonic Veteran Association of Minnesota at its fifteenth annual reunion, with an account of the annual feast of the "silver grays," and the aftermath of interesting talks and reminiscences of the olden days.

The good brother evidently copied the footing of the year's receipts. Our grand treasurer reported the balance in the fund at \$46,707.46, a material difference.

M. W. J. A. Davis, Boulder, Grand Master; R. W. C. H. Jacobson, Denver, reelected Grand Secretary; Bro. L. N. Greenleaf, Denver, chairman of the committee on correspondence.

CONNECTICUT, 1907.

The one hundred and nineteenth annual communication was held at New Haven, Jan. 16th and 17th, M. W. B. F. Turner, Grand Master. One hundred and nine lodges represented; one hundred and ten on the roll. Twelve past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Membership twenty thousand, seven hundred, and fifty-two; gain six hundred and sixty-three. Receipts \$15,309.25.

The deaths of Bro. F. S. Stevens, past grand master, and Bro. M. W. Graves, grand treasurer, were announced.

The portraits are of the grand master and the two deceased brethren.

The address is largely given over to home affairs, with no decisions; the contributions to California relief were reported at \$5,671.43; the special committee on home submitted an estimate of the proposed addition, to cost \$15,000, and the incoming grand master was requested to issue an appeal to the lodges for contributions; the per capita tax was fixed at \$1, three-quarters to go to the charity foundation; the Grand Lodge of Alberta and the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico were recognized; a jewel and apron were presented to the retiring grand master; and the reports of the home show seventy-seven inmates; expenditures \$15,740.99.

The report on masonic correspondence was prepared by the grand secretary, a dignified and carefully digested paper. The following paragraphs are found under the head of Minnesota:

Bro. Thomas Montgomery presents his seventeenth annual report as grand secretary. We had the pleasure of meeting our distinguished brother at Boston a few weeks since in robust health, seeming to be good for at least seventeen more.

An eloquent oration was delivered by the grand orator, Bro. E. A. Kling, upon masonry in general. We copy the closing portion.

The usual able report on correspondence is presented by Bro. Irving Todd. Connecticut receives kind notice.

M. W. A. J. Hallock, Bethel, Grand Master; M. W. J. H. Barlow, Hartford, reëlected Grand Secretary, and continued as committee on masonic correspondence.

COSTA RICA, 1906.

At the March quarterly it was decided to continue the custom of publishing the proceedings in both Spanish and English; the desirability of grand lodge issuing diplomas instead of each lodge making use of a different form was re-

ferred to a committee; and the question of granting an amnesty to the suspended brethren of Atenea Lodge, erected by the Supreme Council of Central America before the resumption of official relations, was lost.

A festival lodge was held June 24th, with a salutation to the brethren of every clime responded to by the grand representatives, a collection on behalf of the distressed, and a collation.

At the August quarterly a decree was read from M.'. W.'. Antonio Castro announcing his indefinite absence from the jurisdiction, and the transfer of his authority to R.'. W.'. B. E. Piza, deputy grand master.

At the November quarterly Union Fraternal Lodge No. 2 was indefinitely suspended for want of harmony among its members; a semi-annual password was revived among lodges using the Scottish Rite ritual; one hundred grand lodge diplomas were ordered printed; and official relations were entered into with the grand orients of Italy, Brazil, and Portugal, the grand lodges of Greece, Hungary, Prussia, and Egypt, and the Supreme Council of the Argentine Republic, rather a heterogeneous assortment.

At the annual meeting, Jan. 25th, grand officers were elected, and adjourned to Feb. 28th.

At the adjourned meeting the declinations of the grand master and deputy grand master were announced, and new election held to fill the vacancies.

There are six active lodges and one suspended on the roll, with a total membership of two hundred and six, including entered apprentices and fellow crafts; a loss of three.

The portraits are of the grand master and grand secretary.

M.'. W.'. Tomas Povedano, Grand Master; R.'. W.'. Diego Povedano reelected Grand Secretary; both of San Jose.

DELAWARE, 1907.

The one hundred and second annual communication was held at Wilmington, Oct. 2d and 3d, M. W. R. K. Stephenson, Grand Master. Nineteen lodges represented; twenty-two on the roll. Eleven past grand masters and our representative present.

Membership two thousand, eight hundred, and eighty-eight; gain one hundred and sixteen. Receipts \$1,896.80.

The death of Bro. B. F. Bartram, grand secretary, was announced.

The portraits are of the grand master and the late grand secretary.

Two decisions were reported, the first being that a fellow craft who had lost his left arm was not disqualified for advancement, a sound ruling; aprons were ordered for the past grand masters, at a cost of \$8.50 each; the \$367.67 rebate from California was turned over to the charity fund; the remaining centennial medals were ordered to be equally distributed among the lodges; the lodges were required to furnish their members with annual card certificates of good standing and to demand documentary evidence from visitors; a special committee on printing was appointed; the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan was recognized, and fraternal relations resumed with the Grand Lodge of Washington; the ceremonial forms reported by the special committee were ordered printed; greetings were telegraphed to an absent past senior grand warden of fifty years ago; \$393.11 was expended for grand lodge dinners, and \$25 for use of banquet room; and a jewel was presented to the retiring grand master.

The report on foreign correspondence was prepared by Bro. L. H. Jackson, with the usual fraternal review of Minnesota, from which the following quotations are made:

Bro. Thomas Morris, M. W. Grand Master. The portrait of his fine intellectual face graces the frontispiece of the volume of proceedings.

Bro. Owen Morris, grand orator, delivered a very earnest, practical address.

Bro. Irving Todd presented a very neat and attractive report on foreign correspondence, of ninety-two pages, in which Delaware for 1906 was favorably and fraternally noticed.

The proceedings of the Masonic Veteran Association of Minnesota are full of interest, but we have not space for an extended notice, but we offer congratulations.

M. W. T. J. Day, Grand Master; R. W. V. V. Harrison, Grand Secretary; Bro. L. H. Jackson, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence; all of Wilmington.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, 1906.

At the May communication the salary of the grand treasurer was fixed at \$100; the grand secretary was instructed to furnish the names of brethren whose membership had ceased to the secretary of the grand chapter; and the Grand Lodge of Alberta was recognized.

At the September communication an annual assessment of twenty-five cents for each member was levied upon the lodges for the benefit of the home, to be paid semi-annually, and an appropriation of \$650 was made for a suitable monument to be placed in the grand lodge plot at the Congressional Cemetery.

The ninety-sixth annual communication was held at Washington, Dec. 19th, M. W. W. A. Brown, Grand Master. Twenty-six lodges represented; twenty-seven on the roll. Eight past grand masters and our representative present.

Membership seven thousand, nine hundred, and ninety-nine; gain two hundred and seventy-three. Receipts \$7,431.

The deaths of Bro. T. F. Gibbs and Bro. G. H. Walker, past grand masters, were announced.

The portrait is that of the grand master, and there is also a cut of the home building, the west wing of which was dedicated Oct. 16th.

The address is a detailed statement of local affairs; the receipts of the May festival for the home were reported at \$15,000, the California relief fund at \$2,471.50; the communications of the International Bureau of Masonic Intercourse were referred back for a more equitable proposition; recognition of the Grand Lodge of Queensland was deferred indefinitely; the committee on bi-centenary of the Grand Lodge of England reported that favorable replies had only been received from Ireland and Cuba, the other seventy-one grand lodges merely acknowledging receipt of the communication; the special committee on grand lodge centennial reported progress, and the disbursements of the home were stated at \$10,711.53.

At the St. John's Day communication grand officers were elected and installed, and a jewel was presented to the retiring grand master.

The report on foreign correspondence was prepared by Bro. G. W. Baird, with a fraternal review of Minnesota for 1906. He is of the opinion that Bro. Tusler's liquor decision is all right, although seemingly shading the difference; that the gain of three and a quarter per cent in membership is doing well; that it is a good thing to have the Eastern Star represented on the home committee; that our correspondence report is well written, but too short; and that the same rule of residence should be applied to both married and single men.

Under the head of Queensland he includes Minnesota in the list of eleven grand lodges that have extended formal recognition, a great mistake. The matter has never been submitted or considered in our grand lodge, and probably will not be under existing conditions.

M.°. W.°. F. J. Woodman, Grand Master; R.°. W.°. A. W. Johnston reelected Grand Secretary; Bro. G. W. Baird, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence; all of Washington.

FLORIDA, 1907.

The seventy-eighth annual communication was held at Jacksonville, Jan. 15th, 16th, and 17th, M.°. W.°. C. W. John-

son, Grand Master. One hundred and fifty-four lodges represented; one hundred and sixty-three on the roll. Seven past grand masters and our representative present.

Eight dispensations for new lodges. Membership seven thousand, two hundred, and twenty-eight; gain five hundred and sixty-three. Receipts \$7,957.30.

The deaths of Bro. G. S. Hallmark and Bro. N. R. Carter, past grand masters, were announced.

Seventeen local rulings were reported under the head of decisions; the grand master thinks that the foreign correspondence report could be confined to more reasonable dimensions without impairing its usefulness, and so might his forty-four page address; the contributions to the California sufferers were stated at \$2,996.73; the Grand Lodge of Alberta was recognized, and the request of the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico for recognition deferred; the temple committee recommended the sale of the old building at \$55,000 and the erection of a new one for \$125,000, the difference of \$70,000 to be raised by issuing bonds; eight charters were granted, and one dispensation surrendered; a free will offering of \$154.79 was made in behalf of a brother's widow; the new digest was formally approved; another extemporaneous address was delivered by Bro. H. S. Yerger, grand orator, and not printed; the trustees of the home fund reported \$11,033.93 on hand; the foreign correspondence report was limited to one hundred and twenty-eight pages, with an appropriation of \$100 to the writer and \$235 to the printer; the monument over the grave of Bro. Angus Paterson, past grand master, was reported completed; \$1,500 of the surplus was turned over to the home fund; the past master's degree was conferred upon thirty-eight brethren; the committee on masonic jurisprudence held that the issuance of special dispensations authorizing lodges to hold regular communications for the election of officers in advance of the stated time was unconstitutional and could not be approved, but did not pass upon the status of the officers so elected; the request of the International Bureau for Masonic

Intercourse of Neuchatel, Switzerland, for affiliation was declined; and a jewel was voted to the retiring grand master.

Bro. S. B. Wright submitted his sixth report on correspondence, Minnesota for 1906 having two pages, from which we quote:

Both of these decisions are good law, and are quoted because they are new and do not seem to have been passed upon in our state.

The correspondence report is by Bro. Irving Todd, and is an interesting review of the several grand bodies. Florida receives a two page, and a general commendation. * * * Bro. Todd is an able and interesting writer.

M. W. E. E. Haskell, Palatka, Grand Master; R. W. W. P. Webster, Jacksonville, reelected Grand Secretary; Bro S. B. Wright, Deland, chairman of the committee on correspondence.

GEORGIA, 1906.

The one hundred and twentieth annual communication was held at Macon, Oct. 30th to Nov. 1st, M. W. Max Meyerhardt, Grand Master. Four hundred and seventy-eight lodges represented; four hundred and eighty-four on the roll. Two past grand masters and our representative present.

Eight dispensations for new lodges. Membership twenty-seven thousand, six hundred, and twenty; gain two thousand, three hundred, and thirty-one. Receipts \$30,503.50.

The portraits are of two past grand masters.

Ten and a half pages of past masters not representing lodges were reported present, with mileage and per diem; a telegram of sympathy was forwarded to the absent grand chaplain; five unimportant decisions and nearly five pages of special dispensations were reported; a commission was appointed to consider the matter of building a new temple; ten and a half pages of standing committees were announced; a visit was paid to the home the first afternoon, and the evening devoted entirely to social features; badges of honor were presented to two grand lodge officers for attendance upon thirty con-

secutive sessions; a jewel was voted to the grand master, and his portrait ordered painted; leaves of absence were granted to nearly a page of brethren; the request of the Grand Lodge Cosmos for recognition was refused; a collection of \$143 was taken for several individuals; a jewel was voted to Mrs. F. E. Wolihin, assistant to the grand secretary; the report of the committee on unfinished business, two lines, is followed by a page of signatures; the Grand Lodge of Alberta was recognized; twenty-one charters were granted; the disbursements at the home were reported at \$7,622.55, and the collections for California relief at \$1,455.68; over a page of brethren were expelled for unmasonic conduct, and three-quarters of a page restored; and the board of deputies were directed to exemplify the work next year, for approval or disapproval.

The report on foreign correspondence is the handiwork of Bro. A. Q. Moody, who says of Minnesota:

A fine portrait of Grand Master Tusler graces the proceedings.

An interesting report of one hundred and fifteen pages is presented by Bro. Irving Todd. We regret that Georgia finds no place in the review.

M. W. Max Meyerhardt, Rome, Grand Master, and R. W. W. A. Wolihin, Macon, Grand Secretary, were reëlected; Bro. A. Q. Moody, Boston, committee on foreign correspondence.

IDAHO, 1907.

The fortieth annual communication was held at Boise, Sept. 11th, 12th, and 13th, M. W. W. F. Smith, Grand Master. Twenty-six lodges represented; forty on the roll. Five past grand masters present; our representative absent.

One dispensation for a new lodge. Membership two thousand, three hundred, and ninety-five; gain one hundred and forty-four. Receipts \$12,449.44.

The portrait is that of the grand master elect.

Ten local decisions were reported; the grand lodges of Queensland, Saskatchewan, and Western Australia were recognized; a subordinate lodge was fined \$10 for not sending in its annual report; the grand secretary was directed to fine every lodge \$5 for failure to read the proceedings and certify to the same within ninety days; a charter was granted to the lodge under dispensation; the grand lecturer was instructed to prepare an official cipher and place a copy in the hands of every master; the grand treasurer and secretary were authorized to furnish their offices in a dignified manner; thanks were returned to the fraternity for a reception and banquet, and to the commercial club for courtesies; and the signet ring was turned over by the retiring grand master to his successor.

In announcing the death of Bro. G. H. Davis, one of their past grand masters, the address says:

Idaho mourns with Minnesota in the loss of so great and good a man and mason.

Bro. G. E. Knepper prepared another of his interesting reports on foreign correspondence, commenting upon Minnesota as follows:

With a brief introduction the grand master at once begins to render an account of his stewardship. The long eulogies under the head of Necrology are omitted in the opening of this address, contrary to the custom of those who write similar papers. We have always contended that the grand master's address should be a business document, and that memorial matters should have a separate and more sacred place in the proceedings of the grand lodge. We commend the grand master for this forward step, but would be better pleased if it were not brought forward in the conclusion of the address.

Bro. Montgomery presents a first class report as grand secretary.

Bro. Owen Morris, of St. Paul, delivered a fine oration, for which he received the thanks of the grand lodge.

All the business was done with neatness and dispatch, and the lodge closed with "peace and harmony prevailing."

Bro. Irving Todd writes the correspondence report. He says many good things in ninety-two pages. Idaho receives an excellent review covering but little more than a page, but it is all that needs to be said.

The following episode is given under Maine:

Last winter we sat in the ante-room of a masonic lodge in a large city with two brothers, one from Missouri and the other from Canada. Our recent receipt for dues was accepted as satisfactory "documentary evidence." The two brethren not so fortunate were refused an examination. Our examination was conducted by *one* member of the lodge, who looked upon it as an irksome duty and hurried through, only hitting the high places. So far as we could observe the receipt for dues had undue weight with our examiner, and firmly believe that nothing good will come out of this innovation.

Bro. Knepper admits voting for a cipher ritual a few years ago, and knowing much of its practical workings would do the same again. This is a matter which chiefly concerns Idaho. We would not care to have our own grand lodge go into the publishing business, nor is it necessary. The board of custodians are disseminating the work adopted in 1869, and those who attend the schools of instruction are enabled to correct the errors that are bound to creep into the best governed lodges. Mouth to ear is a very pretty sentiment, but every ritualist from Thomas Smith Webb down has been obliged to have something to fall back upon.

M. W. C. Whitwell, Salmon, Grand Master; R. W. T. W. Randall, Boise, reëlected Grand Secretary; Bro. G. E. Knepper, Moscow, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

ILLINOIS, 1907.

The sixty-eighth annual communication was held at Chicago, Oct. 1st, 2d, and 3d, M. W. C. E. Allen, Grand Master. Seven hundred and eighteen lodges represented; seven hundred and fifty-two on the roll. Eleyen past grand masters and our representative present.

Ten dispensations for new lodges; one consolidation. Membership eighty-five thousand, five hundred, and eighty-three; gain four thousand, seven hundred, and ninety. Receipts \$51,345.53.

The death of Bro. J. H. C. Dill, past grand secretary, was announced.

The portraits are of the grand master, five past grand masters, and the late grand secretary.

The address is a comprehensive report of the business of the year, with no decisions; the reports of the home at Sullivan show forty-eight inmates, expenditures \$45,846.24, of the Chicago home forty-one inmates, expenditures \$28,092.33; the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan was recognized; ten charters were granted, and one dispensation continued; the lodges' contributions to charity were reported at \$40,390.22; the edict suspending masonic intercourse with the Grand Lodge of Hamburg was rescinded; the new index to the by-laws was reported completed; recognition of the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico was denied; the by-laws were amended prohibiting a dispensation for a new lodge within five miles of an old one with less than forty members, except in a town of five thousand inhabitants; an oration was delivered by Bro. R. A. White, which was not furnished for publication; the grand secretary was directed to publish a revised list of the regular masonic lodges of the world; and thanks were tendered to the retiring grand master instead of a jewel.

The committee on correspondence submitted a special report on grand bodies accorded full recognition, those accorded qualified recognition, and those deemed to be without authority in craft masonry, a list too long for reproduction. As we view the situation recognition is largely sentimental, growing out of the custom of exchanging grand representatives, and is practically a matter of courtesy. When the masonry of a country passes from the mere degree peddlers into the control of a better element it commands the confidence and respect of the organized bodies of the masonic world, either expressed or implied, which is neither added to or taken away by a mere resolution. The masonry of the Latin countries cannot rise above the average plane of the people, and will be no more stable or enduring than their

other institutions, religious or political. They are fickle, changeable, because the people themselves are thus constituted. The grand orient or supreme council appeals more strongly to their love of titles and decorations than the grand lodge, and perforce becomes the dominant governing power. Consequently we must accept masonry as we find it, not as we would like to have it. In seaport towns, where visitors from all parts of the world are a daily occurrence, recognition has a practical value not possessed in Minnesota. Hence we do not fall over ourselves in the haste to extend it upon the slightest provocation. The grand bodies recently organized will undoubtedly flourish and prosper, if properly handled, whether we extend formal recognition or withhold it.

Bro. Joseph Robbins prepared another excellent report on correspondence, a library of itself. Minnesota for 1907 has four pages, from which the following paragraphs are taken:

This volume has for its frontispiece a strikingly good photogravure of the retiring grand master, whose face is so good looking that we cannot wonder that he wears as a lapel decoration the symbol of a polygamous race.

Bro. Todd can tell us whether there is in Minnesota a law that must be dispensed with before a Minnesota lodge can confer a degree by courtesy for a lodge in another jurisdiction; and possibly he can satisfy our curiosity to know whether the request in this case did not really come from the other Palestine, but somehow got tangled up with the grand master in passing through the circumlocation office.

The Pierson monument committee reported that the monument (a cut of which appears in the proceedings) had been completed and placed. * * * It impresses us as noble in design, and adequate.

The grand lodge listened to an excellent address by the grand orator, Owen Morris, full of practical reflections and suggestions, beautifully and strongly expressed.

Since the close of his grand lodge we learn, through the press dispatches, that Bro. Montgomery has passed away. It was our good fortune to know him at the Masonic Congress of 1903, and we have also most pleasant recollections of some hours spent with him subsequently in his office in his home city.

The report on correspondence (ninety-two pages) is from the deft, accustomed hand of Bro. Irving Todd, and is, as usual, as full of

matter as an egg is full of meat. Illinois for 1906 fares sumptuously in purple and fine twined linen, with bouquets on the side for our grand orator, Owen Scott, and another past grand master.

Bro. Todd is such a despiser of shams that he makes it uncomfortable for any one who cannot distinguish between *meum* and *teum*. Under Georgia we find the following pointed remarks: * * * We don't want to convey the impression that Bro. Todd is hunting opportunities to say harsh things. He had rather praise, we are sure; and from him a word of praise means a good deal.

A Minnesota lodge is authorized to confer degrees by courtesy, upon request of a lodge in another jurisdiction, without dispensation. Probably the practice in Michigan requires such requests to be transmitted through their grand master, a waste of time and postage.

M.:W.: A. H. Bell, Carlinville, Grand Master; R.:W.: Isaac Cutter, Camp Point, reelected Grand Secretary; Bro. Joseph Robbins, Quincy, committee on correspondence.

INDIANA, 1907.

The eighty-sixth annual meeting was held at Indianapolis, May 28th and 29th, M.:W.: L. V. Cravens, Grand Master. Five hundred and twenty-six lodges represented; five hundred and thirty on the roll. Sixteen past grand masters present, including our representative.

Four dispensations for new lodges; one consolidation. Membership forty-seven thousand, three hundred, and fifty-three; gain two thousand, two hundred, and ninety-four. Receipts \$20,049.84.

The portraits are of the grand master elect, the grand treasurer, the grand secretary, and the grand inspector.

The address is chiefly noticeable for the amount of space required to say a very little; twenty-two unimportant rulings were reported; the building committee announced the sale of the old temple property at \$205,000, the purchase of a site at \$70,000, and an agreement with the temple association to erect a new building jointly at a cost of \$360,000; two charters were

granted, and two dispensations continued; the committee on jurisprudence promptly squelched a life membership proposition, recommended the adoption of a regulation for the granting of dimits for the purpose of joining another lodge, held that masonic relief should be dispensed by the lodge in whose jurisdiction the case occurred, and that masonic lodges are not collection agencies; the \$2,094.10 balance from the California relief fund was placed at the disposal of the grand master; a resolution of thanks was extended to the Knights of Pythias for the use of their hall, and to President Roosevelt upon his contemplated visit; and a jewel was presented to the retiring grand master.

Bro. Daniel McDonald presented the review of grand lodge proceedings, referring to Minnesota as follows:

Bro. Owen, of St. Paul, delivered a thoughtful oration, which was well received and appears as an appendix to the proceedings.

A cut of the monument erected by the masons of Minnesota to the memory of Past Grand Master A. T. C. Pierson, and his wife, appears in the proceedings in connection with the report of the committee having charge of its construction. It consists of a block of Barre gray granite, the cost being \$400. The committee say it is deemed by all who have seen it as a graceful and substantial tribute to the memory of the reputed Father of Masonry in Minnesota, and his wife, who seconded and industriously aided him in his every effort in the cause.

Bro. Irving Todd reviews the proceedings of other grand lodges in ninety-two pages. Indiana, 1906, is fraternally reviewed. He summarizes some of our opinions which he found scattered through our report, which we take the liberty of reproducing for the information of those whom it may concern.

Bro. McDonald is of the opinion that, if a grand master holds that the election of an officer by a resolution authorizing some person to cast the vote of the lodge for him is a very bad practice, he should exercise his prerogative and declare it unmasonic; that in the United States honorary membership and the giving of the private grand honors are more honored in the breach than in the observance; that it will not be many years until the Grand Lodge of Queensland is recognized by

a majority of the grand lodges in the world; that the \$1,000 contribution of the Grand Lodge of Canada to the California sufferers goes to show the universality of masonry, and that masonic charity is equally extensive; that a brief report of grand lodge action by one of the representatives present would be of interest to the members, but that the reading of the printed proceedings would do no good, if ever attempted; that if having been born out of wedlock renders one ineligible to the masonic degrees, even the Savior of the world would be rejected for that reason; that the California relief illustrates how efficient, honest, and economical the organization of masonry is when it undertakes a work of charity or mercy; that if an applicant is found proficient he should not be required to wait a lunar month before advancement; that the requiring of documentary evidence practically suspends masonic visitation; that there is less reason for celebrating the anniversaries of the two SS. John than those of Solomon, king of Israel, Hiram, king of Tyre, and Hiram, the architect, who have always been considered very good masons, while neither of the others ever knew anything about either operative or speculative masonry; that life membership is unnecessary, unfair, and unjust; that not more than one candidate should be initiated into any of the degrees at one time, except the second section of the fellow craft; that masonry, from first to last, is of a man's own free will and accord; that military lodges are dismal failures; and that under no circumstances should a petition be received from one who had belonged to a clandestine lodge, the fact indicating a lack of brains.

The interesting report concludes with the usual number of poems, only one of them being credited. Are we to understand that the others are original?

M. W. W. O. Bragg, Greenfield, Grand Master; R. W. C. W. Prather, Indianapolis, reëlected Grand Secretary; Bro. Daniel McDonald, Plymouth, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

INDIAN TERRITORY, 1907.

The thirty-fourth annual communication was held at South McAlester, Aug. 13th and 14th, M. W. W. A. McBride, Grand Master. One hundred and thirty-five lodges represented; one hundred and seventy-five on the roll. Twelve past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Twelve dispensations for new lodges. Membership eight thousand, four hundred, and sixty; gain nine hundred and twenty. Receipts \$12,093.

The death of Bro. S. B. Armstrong, past grand master, was announced.

The portrait is that of the grand master, with a cut of the temple at McAlester.

Thirteen unimportant rulings were reported; the orphans' home fund was stated at \$56,760.41; the committee on revision did nothing, owing to the impending consolidation; the oldest mason in the territory, of fifty-nine years' standing, was welcomed as a visitor; the orphans' home was temporarily located in a vacant building at Atoka; the grand secretary was given \$400 for an assistant; an appropriation of \$450 was made for nine past grand masters' jewels; thanks were returned to the brethren and citizens for their hospitality; and nine charters were granted, and three dispensations continued.

A somewhat brief report on foreign correspondence was prepared by Bro. T. C. Humphry, who speaks of Minnesota as follows:

The oration was by Bro. Owen Morris, grand orator, who delivered a most excellent address upon the subject of Masonry.

The correspondence report was by P. G. M. Irving Todd, who has wielded the Faber for years past. Report fills ninety-two pages, and the reviewer did not overlook the Indians.

M. W. J. B. Morrow, Checotah, Grand Master; R. W. J. S. Murrow, Atoka, reelected Grand Secretary; Bro. T. C. Humphry, Atoka, committee on foreign correspondence.

IOWA, 1907.

The sixty-fourth annual communication was held at Clinton, June 4th, 5th, and 6th, M. W. W. F. Cleveland, Grand Master. Four hundred and fifty-three lodges represented; five hundred and eight on the roll. Ten past grand masters present.

Three dispensations for new lodges. Membership thirty-seven thousand, eight hundred, and thirty-eight; gain eleven hundred and thirty-one. Receipts \$32,993.74.

The portraits are of the grand master, a deceased past grand warden, and the elective grand officers.

The address is an interesting review of a busy year, with no decisions; the suspension of the Library Bulletin was announced, caused by an unfavorable ruling of the postoffice department, a fact generally regretted by the fraternity; the grand commander of the state was received as a visitor; the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan was recognized; three charters were granted; fraternal greetings were exchanged with the Grand Lodge of Nebraska; messages were wired to two absent past grand masters; recognition of the Grand Lodge Alpina was refused, and that of Greece deferred; the code was amended to allow per diem and mileage to two lecturers in each district; thanks were extended to the local brethren and citizens for their magnificent entertainment; and new consecration vessels and grand officers' jewels were ordered.

The report on fraternal correspondence was prepared by Bro. C. C. Clark, past grand master, his first and final effort in this direction. It is a highly creditable document. Of Minnesota he is pleased to say:

But one school of instruction was held, with such good results, however, that the grand master recommends that more be held each year. We do not see for the life of us how they can possibly keep the correct work with but one school a year. In Iowa we find it necessary to hold some forty-five, of three days each.

The report on correspondence is by Bro. Irving Todd, for the committee. It is a well written, readable, and concise epitome of the

proceedings abstracted, yet we think our brother takes rather too narrow a view of what in the various proceedings would interest the craft. * * * Iowa for 1906 receives fraternal notice, and its proceedings are carefully summarized. Bro. Todd certainly has the art of condensation down to a fine point. All the same, we would much like to have him extend himself and give us more of his own opinions. We know they would be all right.

As a sort of a supplement to the proceedings of the grand lodge, the proceedings of the Masonic Veteran Association are set out. They are embellished with a half-tone of the first vice president, W. P. Murray, who is said to be the oldest living past master of any Minnesota lodge. The function of this association seems to be the holding of an annual banquet, at which addresses of interest to the members constitute the main feature. Like similar social sessions, it is of value in bringing the brethren in closer touch with each other.

Airing one's individual opinions is all right the first few years, but after fifteen or twenty it becomes a very old and threadbare story. There is very little new to write about, and the range of topics is soon exhausted.

M. W. R. M. Hunter, Sibley, Grand Master; R. W. N. R. Parvin, Cedar Rapids, reelected Grand Secretary; Bro. L. E. Fellows, Lansing, committee on fraternal correspondence.

KANSAS, 1907.

The fifty-first annual communication was held at Wichita, Feb. 20th and 21st, M. W. T. L. Bond, Grand Master. Two hundred and eighty-seven lodges represented; three hundred and seventy-three on the roll. Eleven past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Six dispensations for new lodges; one consolidation. Membership twenty-eight thousand, seven hundred, and sixty-four; gain fifteen hundred and ninety-seven. Receipts \$32,497.82.

The death of Bro. T. E. Dewey and Bro. John Guthrie, past grand masters, were announced.

The portraits are of the grand master, a past grand master, and the first grand secretary, with a cut of the chapel erected

at the home by the O. E. S., and a group of the appointive officers.

Fifteen decisions were reported, twelve of them covered by previous rulings. The following were disapproved:

5. Can the lodge funds be used for the purpose of placing a memorial window in a church? No.

15. Can the funds of a masonic lodge be used to employ detectives? No.

The committee on jurisprudence held that a lodge should not be restricted in the use of its funds for masonic purposes, yet without knowledge of the particular instances involved we are inclined to the opinion that the grand master was right. The trouble with about ninety per cent of the so-called decisions is that they are made to cover an individual case, and if spread upon the records it should be only for information, without the binding force of a general regulation.

The California relief fund was stated at \$1,010, and the disbursements at the home \$14,848, with sixty-four inmates; a very readable address was delivered by Bro. Fuller Bergstresser, grand orator, on The Mission of Freemasonry; the new chapel was formally presented to the grand lodge by the ladies, with an appropriate programme, followed by an entertainment given by the children of the home; recognition was extended to Alberta, Porto Rico, Valle de Mexico, and Queensland; six charters were granted; the past grand masters in attendance were restored to the pay roll; a jewel was presented to the retiring grand master; the legislation providing for a special committee on history and museum was repealed and the committee discharged; and thanks were returned to the local masonic ladies for their courtesy.

The proceedings of the Association of Past Grand Masters fill two pages of the proceedings.

Owing to the death of Bro. T. E. Dewey, committee on correspondence, Bro. M. M. Miller was again called upon to furnish a report, the draft being duly honored upon presenta-

tion. He will receive a hearty welcome upon his return to the round table. Of Minnesota for 1906 he writes:

Outside of the statement of details of his acts, the address of the grand master is a model of brevity and conciseness.

He makes an appreciative reference to the life and services of W.· Bro. G. R. Metcalf, a member of the committee on correspondence. Bro. Metcalf attained distinction in other ways as well, but the Minnesota Masonic Veteran Association was not only the offspring of his inspiration and labor, but the dearest child of his heart as well. The writer fondly cherishes his memory. Dr. Metcalf was one of God's noblemen, and the patent of nobility he demanded of his fellow-men who sought his companionship was not based on blood or wealth. Principally among his mourners to-day are God's lowly and God's poor.

The obituary writer, like the obituary poet, is a source of mirth and amusement at times, but, brethren, it is a glorious occasion where it is ours to view in varied perspective one whose character, example, cleanliness, and purity of life were without flaw or suspicion of streak or imperfection of any kind.

An excellent oration was delivered before grand lodge by Bro. E. A. Kling, of Little Falls, in which the main topics seem to be, Are we Masons? Why are we Masons? A large number of pertinent questions are presented by the orator, well worthy of the careful consideration of masons everywhere. We regret that we cannot excerpt largely from the oration.

Correspondence, one hundred and fifteen pages. Irving Todd chairman. Kansas is liberally remembered by Bro. Todd.

M.· W.· E. W. Wellington, Ellsworth, Grand Master;
R.· W.· A. K. Wilson, Topeka, reelected Grand Secretary;
Bro. M. M. Miller, Topeka, committee on correspondence.

KENTUCKY, 1907.

The one hundred and seventh annual communication was held at Louisville, Oct. 15th, 16th, and 17th, M.· W.· S. K. Veach, Grand Master. Four hundred and ninety-two lodges represented; five hundred and one on the roll. Twenty-two past grand masters present.

Twenty dispensations for new lodges. Membership thirty thousand, six hundred, and thirty; gain one thousand, nine hundred, and twenty-two. Receipts \$81,864.75.

The deaths of the grand marshal, grand senior deacon, and superintendent of the home were announced.

The portraits are of the grand master and the three deceased brethren.

Bro. Thomas Todd, a member of the grand lodge since 1846 without missing a session, and grand master in 1853, was provided with a comfortable chair in the grand east, to be kept for his special use. He is eighty-seven years of age, and probably the oldest past grand master living.

Twenty-five local decisions, or opinions, were reported, the first being as follows:

1. Has a Kentucky lodge a right to receive into membership a bookkeeper for a distilling company? There is some question as to the ground covered by the resolution passed by the last grand lodge as to who is engaged in the manufacture or sale of liquor, and, while a *strict* construction might exclude him, I conclude that the resolution was intended by grand lodge to exclude such people as are salesmen, and such people as participate in the profits of the manufacture or sale of such liquors, either as stockholder or owner. Now if this young man does not participate in the profits of the company as an owner or stockholder and is simply a bookkeeper, then, in my opinion, he is eligible.

Having just reviewed Idaho, where there was a similar case, that of an engineer in a brewery, we refer back to the following ruling in that jurisdiction:

3. Your action in not receiving the petition was right. If the gentleman referred to is employed in any capacity whatever in a brewery, he is not eligible for the degrees of masonry under our laws.

Examples of the workings of grand lodge paternalism might be multiplied indefinitely from the proceedings of the past three or four years, but what's the use? At the rate the thing is going it will not be long before a petition must bear the grand master's approval before its reception by a subordinate lodge.

The most interesting portion of the address is that referring to the home and the temple. The grand master is

a good business man as well as mason, and their rule of succession should have been suspended in his case for at least another term.

Thirteen charters granted, one restored, and nine dispensations continued; an appropriation of \$150 was made to a past grand master, in a hospital and practically blind; the annual appropriation of \$1,000 to the old masons' home was continued ten years longer; the committee on work recommended the appointment of seven custodians, to hold schools of instruction, no part of the work to be written or printed; the report of the old masons' home showed eighteen inmates, disbursements \$7,216.33, with a recommendation that a more suitable site be selected than the present one at Shelbyville; the committee on jurisprudence held that the restoration of a suspended mason includes his life membership in the lodge; a committee was appointed to investigate the condition of The Home Journal, with a view of improvement; another committee was appointed to again present the condition of the Clay monument to the legislature and urge an appropriation for its restoration; greetings were exchanged with the Grand Lodge of Ohio; the revised constitution and numerous amendments were recommitted, for consideration next year; a board of trustees was provided for, to manage their temple affairs; and a jewel was presented to the retiring grand master.

The report on foreign correspondence was prepared by Bro. W. W. Clarke, a well considered document. The following paragraphs are found in his review of Minnesota for 1907:

The address of the grand master was a carefully prepared paper, dealing fully with the affairs of his jurisdiction.

Bro. Irving Todd, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence, submitted to grand lodge another of his excellent reviews of sister jurisdictions. Kentucky for 1906 receives fraternal notice.

Bro. Clarke suggests that when a member applies to his secretary for documentary evidence that he be measured ac-

cording to the Bertillon system, and such measurements noted on the card; thumb prints would be still better.

M. W. H. P. Barret, Henderson, Grand Master; R. W. H. B. Grant, Louisville, reëlected Grand Secretary; Bro. W. W. Clarke, Owensboro, committee on foreign correspondence.

LOUISIANA, 1907.

The ninety-fifth annual communication was held at New Orleans, Feb. 4th, 5th, and 6th, M. W. L. C. Allen, Grand Master. One hundred and forty-eight lodges represented; one hundred and seventy-six on the roll. Eight past grand masters and our representative present.

Seven dispensations for new lodges. Membership ten thousand, five hundred, and eighty-four; gain nine hundred and thirty-three. Receipts, including rents, etc., \$30,846.99.

The address is a lengthy review of official acts, with no decisions; nine charters were granted, and one dispensation continued; an absurd edict prohibiting the recognition of a grand lodge at the same annual communication at which it is proposed was repealed, and the Grand Lodge of Alberta recognized; it was resolved that no meetings of constituent lodges be held on Sunday, except for funeral services; an able address was delivered by Bro. C. F. Buck, grand orator, one well worth reading; the directors of the grand lodge hall were authorized to improve the property at their discretion; an appropriation of \$250 was made for a memorial to Bro. S. M. Todd; the lodges were forbidden to use the short method of conferring the master mason's degree, and to raise more than five at the same communication; and a jewel was voted to the retiring grand master.

The customary report on foreign correspondence was prepared by Bro. H. C. Duncan, who writes as follows of Minnesota for 1906:

The oration was delivered by Bro. E. A. Kling. We quote from him these plain words, yet words so woven together as to elicit thought, and as they are read we invoke thought, feeling assured that all who read them in such wise will be much enlarged in true masonic spirit.

The report on correspondence is an exhaustive review, and shows that its author, Bro. Irving Todd, is a close student of all things presented for his consideration.

Bro. Duncan holds that if a cipher is necessary to the obtainment of good language then it should be used, if for no other reason; that there is an older masonic rule than that which confines the transmission of the secrets of masonry to an oral communication; that the services of a grand master are rarely appreciated as they deserve to be; that the grand representative system has its place and its function, although the wisdom of the day may be largely ignorant of what that function is; that unauthorized work is no work, and therefore incapable of being vivified; that masonic balls and excursions are improper tools for assisting the needy; that the function of masonry is that of a handmaid instead of the redeemer and savior of the world; that visitation is a privilege, and not a right; that a refunded fee is no fee at all; and that the reports on foreign correspondence are the best guides that we have for the perfecting of a masonic education.

M. . W. . L. E. Thomas, Shreveport, Grand Master; R. . W. . Richard Lambert, New Orleans, reëlected Grand Secretary; Bro. H. C. Duncan, Alexandria, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

MAINE, 1907.

The eighty-eighth annual communication was held at Portland, May 7th, 8th, and 9th, M. . W. . C. F. Johnson, Grand Master. One hundred and eighty-nine lodges represented; two hundred and two on the roll. Ten past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Membership twenty-six thousand, five hundred, and thirty; gain six hundred and forty-one. Receipts \$8,357.31.

The grand master reported twenty-seven dispensations to attend divine service, and three to act upon petitions in less than the constitutional time; a new standing regulation was adopted requiring a separate ballot upon each applicant, legislation that would hardly be necessary in any other jurisdiction; the charity fund was stated at \$47,670.30; the committee on history acknowledged receipt of two lodge histories during the year; the librarian reported serious injury to many of the books by a leak in the waterpipes, which might be expected in a prohibition state; the third degree was conferred upon an actual candidate, the grand lecturer presiding; the Grand Lodge of Alberta was recognized; and aprons were voted to the permanent members.

Bro. A. E. Chase submitted another carefully prepared report on foreign correspondence, Minnesota for 1907 receiving a very fraternal review of over two pages, and no criticisms.

Bro. Chase holds that the second year of a grand master is more to the advantage of the craft and to the interests of the grand lodge; that it is not necessary for a masonic grand lodge to recognize the Eastern Star with fraternal greetings; both sound opinions.

M. W. C. F. Johnson, Waterville, Grand Master, and R. W. Stephen Berry, Portland, Grand Secretary, were reelected; Bro. A. E. Chase, Portland, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

MANITOBA, 1907.

The thirty-second annual communication was held at Winnipeg, June 12th and 13th, M. W. John McKechnie, Grand Master. Fifty lodges represented; sixty on the roll. Nine past grand masters and our representative present.

Five dispensations for new lodges. Membership three thousand, eight hundred, and seventy-one; loss five hundred and thirty-nine, Saskatchewan having taken eight hundred and ninety-eight. Receipts \$6,063.20.

The grand master reported that he installed the officers of the new Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, Aug. 9th; the charters of two lodges in Yukon Territory were canceled, they desiring to affiliate with the Grand Lodge of British Columbia; four charters were granted, and one dispensation continued; recognition was extended to Saskatchewan, Puerto Rico, and Valle de Mexico, Queensland deferred; thanks were tendered for the use of regalia; the rank of past district deputy grand master was conferred upon eight brethren; and a chain collar was presented to a past grand master.

M. W. James Scroggie, Grand Master; M. W. J. A. Ovas reelected Grand Secretary; both of Winnipeg.

MARYLAND, 1906.

At the semi-annual communication in May a charter was granted and the revised constitution and standing resolutions adopted.

The one hundred and twentieth annual communication was held at Baltimore, Nov. 20th and 21st, M. W. T. J. Shryock, Grand Master. One hundred and six lodges on the roll. One past grand master present.

Two dispensations for new lodges. Membership eleven thousand, five hundred, and eighty; gain five hundred and twenty-three. Receipts, including rents and interest, \$33,413.15.

The Grand Lodge of Alberta was recognized, and the application of Queensland deferred; one charter was granted, and one dispensation continued; several masonic veterans, whose ages ranged from eighty-four to ninety-four years, were welcomed and escorted to seats; and the grand master was unanimously reelected for the twenty-first time.

Bro. E. T. Schultz presented his twentieth annual report on foreign correspondence, reviewing Minnesota for 1906 in his accustomed fraternal manner. He thinks Bro. Tusler's liquor decision is "a nice distinction; splitting hairs with a vengeance." We further quote:

The report on correspondence is, as usual, by Bro. Irving Todd. It covers one hundred and fifteen pages, and is a well condensed summary of the proceedings of the grand lodges reviewed. * * * Bro. Todd gives a page and a half notice to his review of Maryland for 1904, consisting of a resumé of the communications of the year, but without comment. * * * If we may infer from this that he agrees with our views on all other subjects, we experience no little gratification.

Under Florida he says:

We do not concur. We are clearly and decidedly of the opinion that the immemorial rule was to ballot on the advancement of a candidate for each degree until comparatively a recent date.

The statement of Bro. Schultz is undoubtedly correct. In early times the business of all lodges and grand lodges was transacted in the entered apprentice degree, the degrees of fellow craft and master mason being conferred in fellow craft and masters' lodges, necessitating a separate application and a separate ballot in each of the three organizations. As a result of the masonic congress held at Baltimore in 1843, where a trestle board was considered and ordered to be published, all business was transferred from the first to the third degree, reducing the number of lodges to one, and necessitating but a single petition and ballot. This action was adopted by all of the grand lodges in this country, although some of them still install officers, lay corner stones, and conduct funerals while open in the first degree. It was a decided innovation, and to this day is considered reprehensible by several of our best writers.

Many of the grand lodges organized since that date, Minnesota included, require but a single petition and a single ballot for the three degrees. We fail to discover why anything more should be required. The question of proficiency is a mere formality, as a candidate would hardly present himself in open lodge unless prepared to pass a creditable examination. Furthermore, if there is any valid reason why he should not be advanced, progress may be more effectually stopped by an objection.

A review of foreign grand lodges, by Bro. J. E. Green, is appended, of interest to those of us who do not receive their proceedings.

M. W. J. T. Shryock, Grand Master, and R. W. W. M. Isaac, Grand Secretary, were reelected; Bro. E. T. Schultz, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence; all of Baltimore.

MASSACHUSETTS, 1906.

At the June quarterly the death of Bro. C. A. Skinner, senior grand chaplain, was announced, and the contributions for California relief stated at \$6,064.70.

The annual communication was held at Boston, Dec. 20th, M. W. J. A. Blake, Grand Master. One hundred and seventy-nine lodges represented; two hundred and thirty-eight on the roll. Four past grand masters present.

Two dispensations for new lodges. Membership fifty thousand, three hundred, and twenty-eight; gain nineteen hundred and thirteen. Receipts \$17,850.

The address is a lengthy resumé of local matters; the total California contributions were reported at \$9,619.50, and the total charity funds at \$314,309.45; and the grand officers elected by an unanimous vote, an unprecedented circumstance in that grand lodge.

The grand officers were installed on St. John's Day, followed by the grand feast.

M. W. J. A. Blake, Malden, Grand Master, and R. W. S. D. Nickerson, Boston, Recording Grand Secretary, were reelected.

MICHIGAN, 1907.

The sixty-third annual communication was held at Bay City, May 28th and 29th, R. W. C. E. Sweet, acting Grand Master. Three hundred and ninety-one lodges represented;

three hundred and ninety-eight on the roll. Eighteen past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Three dispensations for new lodges; one consolidation. Membership fifty-six thousand and ten; gain two thousand, two hundred, and fifteen. Receipts \$32,400.84.

The deaths of Bro. C. L. Stevens, grand master, Bro. E. E. Stone, senior grand warden, and Bro. Henry Chamberlain and Bro. C. F. R. Bellows, past grand masters, were announced.

The portraits are of the grand master elect and the deceased brethren, with a group of the grand lodge officers.

The address is a bulky document, with six pages of special dispensations to elect officers out of time, to confer degrees within a lunar month, and similar purposes, which might be authorized by general regulation; the usual grist of local decisions were reported, all but two being approved; the death of Bro. W. K. Wheeler, the veteran past master of Doric Lodge No. 342, who was accustomed to celebrate his annual birthday by conferring the third degree, was announced by the grand secretary, in his ninety-second year; the reports of the home show fifty-one inmates, disbursements \$17,930.31; Bro. W. T. Mitchell, past grand master, was presented with a tribute of flowers and congratulated upon attaining his ninetyeth birthday; the corner-stone of a Y. M. C. A. building was laid; an entertainment was provided at Wenona Beach, with several addresses; the allowance to the grand master for expenses was increased to \$1,200; the by-laws were amended appropriating five cents of the per capita for a hospital at the home, and allowing lodges to exempt members of forty years' standing from the payment of dues; a form of lodge diplomas was adopted, and the fee for attestation reduced to \$10 per hundred; aprons were voted to the past grand masters; the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico was recognized, the applications of the Grand Lodge of Greece and the Grand Orient of Paraguay deferred, and that of the Grand Lodge Alpina declined; a communication from the Grand Orient of Italy was referred to a special committee, with instructions to consider and report the desirability of entering into fraternal relations with other

unaffiliated grand lodges; seven charters were granted; a portrait of Bro. Lewis Cass, their first grand master, was presented; the committee on grand lodge register was granted further time; thanks were returned to the local fraternity for their splendid entertainment; a group picture of the grand lodge officers was ordered inserted in future proceedings; the grand secretary was instructed to send out the names and address of candidates for grand lodge offices in his annual notices to the lodges; and a special committee was appointed to consider the recommendations of the grand lecturer as to changes in the monitor and ritual.

The grand secretary submitted his fourth report on correspondence, Minnesota occupying two pages.

M. W. C. E. Sweet, Dowagiac, Grand Master; R. W. L. B. Winsor, Reed City, reelected Grand Secretary.

MISSISSIPPI, 1907.

The eighty-ninth annual communication was held at Natchez, Feb. 19th and 20th, M. W. C. H. Blum, Grand Master. Two hundred and eighty-seven lodges represented; three hundred on the roll. Ten past grand masters and our representative present.

Eleven dispensations for new lodges; three charters arrested. Membership fourteen thousand, three hundred, and seventy-one; gain eleven hundred and nineteen. Receipts \$12,272.43.

The deaths of Bro. Irvin Miller, Bro. B. T. Kimbrough, and Bro. P. M. Savery, past grand masters, were announced.

The portraits are those of the grand master elect, a past grand master, and the deceased brethren.

The address is a business-like review of the transactions of the year; quite a number of special dispensations were reported, and a still larger number refused; a resolution of sympathy was forwarded to an absent past deputy grand master; the California relief fund from lodges was stated at \$3,537.16; an appropriation of \$1,500 was made to the home

building fund; the trustees of the masonic home were given ample power for its building and maintenance; Bro. Leven Lake, ninety-one years of age and about seventy years a mason, was invited to a seat in the grand lodge; fourteen charters and three dispensations were granted; twenty-three rulings were submitted by the law committee; lodges were directed to have their appeals for assistance indorsed by the grand master, and to pay the expense of sending them out; an appropriation of \$250 was made for marking the graves of the confederate dead at Johnson's Island; members of the special committee on relief were allowed mileage and per diem; the recommendation that all past grand masters be appointed as an advisory board was affirmed, with the addition that the chairmen of standing committees be past grand masters; thanks were extended to the local brethren and citizens for their courtesies and attention; fraternal greetings were received by wire from an absent past grand master; the grand lodges of Alberta and Valle de Mexico were recognized; a vote of thanks was tendered to the retiring grand master; the law committee held that the requirement of documentary evidence from visitors was neither wise nor beneficial; a new edition of the laws was ordered printed; and a resolution of thanks was extended to the president and secretary of the navy for prolonging the visit of the armored cruiser Des Moines at Natchez, as an object lesson in patriotism.

A very creditable first report on foreign correspondence was presented by Bro. H. T. Howard, past grand master, detained at home by illness. The following paragraphs are taken from the review of Minnesota for 1906:

The grand orator delivered himself of an inspiring oration and, though he lives in Little Falls, his burning words are mighty drops, symbols wrought from the myths and mysteries of the ancient world. Of course his oration may not be history any more than are the myths of the Bible, but they teach grand lessons.

When all the labor was ended, and the grand lodge had been snuffed out by the rolling clouds of some friend's photographic craze, Bro. Brandenburg, the chairman of the committee on ancient landmarks,

having reported that he found that the landmarks were still safe, hurled this resolution at the man behind the lens:

Resolved, That the taking of pictures in the grand lodge room at any time during the session of the grand lodge is hereafter prohibited.

The Masonic Veteran Association elected forty-two new members at \$5 each, had \$10 left from the annual feast, and received \$100 from the grand lodge. Twenty-one of the new brethren were received with the customary ceremony of the loving cup.

Bro. Howard believes that the laws of the grand lodge are intended for the grand master as well as the lodges; that life membership works awfully hard upon the youngsters after a few years; that the idea of a universal masonic work is purely Utopian; and that the old clap-trap about making masons at sight has long since been exploded.

M. W. H. C. Yawn, Lumberton, Grand Master; M. W. Frederic Speed, Vicksburg, reelected Grand Secretary; Bro. H. T. Howard, Biloxi, committee on foreign correspondence.

MISSOURI, 1907.

The eighty-seventh annual communication was held at St. Louis, Sept. 24th, 25th, and 26th, M. W. D. M. Wilson, Grand Master. Three hundred and eighty lodges represented; five hundred and eighty-four on the roll. Fifteen past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Nine dispensations for new lodges; one consolidation. Membership forty-five thousand, three hundred, and forty-eight; gain two thousand, three hundred, and ninety-four. Receipts \$44,808.26.

The proceedings announced the death of Bro. N. M. Givan, past grand master, a week after the close of the session.

The portraits are of the grand master and the late past grand master.

Sixty-six unimportant rulings were reported; a message of sympathy was forwarded to the absent grand chaplain; the

reports of the home show one hundred and forty-nine inmates, disbursements \$34,336.09; a lengthy address was delivered by Bro. W. C. Atwood, grand orator; a set of jewels belonging to the grand lodge were returned by the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, they having been obtained by purchase from a stranger; another address was delivered by Bro. J. E. Swanger, the second grand orator; the report of the committee on revision of the by-laws was ordered printed, for action next year; a further amendment of their prohibition legislation was defeated; one representative from each lodge under dispensation was allowed per diem and mileage; a committee was appointed to secure new quarters for the grand secretary; nine charters were granted; the committee on jurisprudence held that a lodge had no right to remit dues except for inability to pay; an appropriation of \$500 was made towards a monument to Bro. Allan McDowell, late grand lecturer, provided that \$400 is refunded; the rebate of \$1,974.76 from California was turned over to the home; the official jewel was duly transferred; and a jewel was presented to the retiring grand master.

The report on correspondence was again the handiwork of Bro. R. E. Anderson, who gives four pages to a review of Minnesota, and from which we take the following:

An imposing picture of the grand master adorns the frontispiece of the proceedings. He looks as though he lived on the fat of the land. W. Bro. Owen Morris delivered a thoughtful address.

This report is by the chairman, Bro. Irving Todd, who manages to "confine his remarks" to only ninety-two pages, and yet renders a very readable report.

Under the head of New Jersey he pointedly says:

We are among those "old fogies" who believe that the cardinal virtue of temperance, as explained to the candidate on his first entrance into the lodge, is all that the founders of our order deemed it necessary to say on this subject, and that it should be left to the determination of the individual members of the lodge, by ballot, who

shall or who shall not be made a mason in that lodge. Hence we antagonized the initial legislation in our grand lodge on the subject, and expect to be found antagonizing class legislation as contrary to the objects and purposes of masonry.

M. W. J. T. Short, Jefferson City, Grand Master;
R. W. J. R. Parson, St. Louis, reëlected Grand Secretary;
Bro. R. E. Anderson, Palmyra, committee on correspondence.

MONTANA, 1906.

The forty-second annual communication was held at Helena, Sept. 19th and 20th, M. W. H. L. Frank, Grand Master. Fifty-two lodges represented; fifty-three on the roll. Ten past grand masters present, our representative included.

Three dispensations for new lodges. Membership four thousand, four hundred, and twenty-one; gain one hundred and ninety-four. Receipts \$6,574.

The portrait is that of the grand master.

The address is a brief statement of official acts, with six local decisions; the grand lodges of Alberta, Saskatchewan, Alpina, and Queensland were recognized; the California relief fund was stated at \$5,317.25; the home committee reported the selection of a site near Helena at a cost of \$10,000, and that \$23,000 will be expended upon a building to accommodate thirty inmates; four charters were granted, and one dispensation continued; Bro. W. H. Mayo, of Missouri, was welcomed as a visitor; lodges were forbidden to use any work or lectures not authorized by the grand lodge; a grand marshal's baton of ebony was presented by a past grand master; a charter was declared forfeited; a suitable testimonial was voted to the retiring grand master; and thanks were returned to the local brethren and railroads.

An interesting address, delivered by the grand master before a local lodge, is given as an appendix.

The report on fraternal correspondence was the work of the grand secretary, the last we shall have from his prolific pen. Of Minnesota for 1906 he says:

A picture of the retiring grand master, H. H. Tusler, with his patriarchal beard graces the first page of the volume, and Bro. Grand Secretary Montgomery had everything in apple pie order for the transaction of business.

The officers appeared in new collars and aprons, with fresh gold plated jewels, presenting a very attractive appearance.

We are pained to notice the death of Bro. G. R. Metcalf. * * * He is best known as the organizer of the Masonic Veteran Association, and was its first president. He was chairman of the semi-centennial committee of grand lodge in 1903, and gave the historical address. His services entitled him to the rank of honorary past grand master. The failure will affect others more than him.

Bro. E. A. Kling delivered an oration following the reports of grand treasurer and grand secretary that deals somewhat with the history of masonry, but more with its distinguished and vital principles.

Bro. Irving Todd continues as chairman of the correspondence committee, and keeps within the length of his cable tow. Montana fares well at his hands.

M. W. A. D. Macdonald, Kalispell, Grand Master, R. W. Cornelius Hedges, Helena, reëlected Grand Secretary, and continued as chairman of the committee on correspondence.

Bro. Hedges died April 29th, aged seventy-five, full of years and honors. He was the first master of Helena Lodge No. 3, the first senior grand warden, grand master in 1870, grand historian in 1871, grand secretary since 1872, grand secretary of the grand chapter from its organization, grand recorder of the grand commandery from organization to 1896, when he was elected grand commander, and had written the reports on foreign correspondence in the three bodies for many years, a forcible and interesting reviewer. We made his acquaintance during the masonic congress at Chicago in 1893, and sincerely mourn the loss of another old, personal friend.

NEBRASKA, 1907.

The fiftieth annual communication was held at Omaha, June 4th, 5th, and 6th, M. W. Z. M. Baird, Grand Master. Two hundred and nine lodges represented; two hundred and

thirty-four on the roll. Twenty-four past grand masters and our representative present.

Two dispensations for new lodges; two charters arrested. Membership fifteen thousand, seven hundred, and twenty-eight; gain five hundred and sixty-five. Receipts \$26,307.98.

The death of Bro. G. W. Lininger, past grand master, occurred the following week. His portrait follows the proceedings of the emergent communication convened to attend his funeral.

Six local decisions were reported, of which the following is a sample:

Dealing on the board of trade, or trading on the board of trade, is gambling, and a bad example for a master of a lodge to set before the brethren.

This was turned down by the committee on jurisprudence, who substituted the following:

Dealings on a board of trade, providing the transactions are bona fide purchases or sales, and where the intention of the parties is to deliver the actual commodities, are legitimate. But when the parties have no intention of delivering the commodities, but speculate upon the future price, and intend to settle the difference by the market quotations, it constitutes gambling and is a masonic offense.

In our way of thinking the grand master sized up the situation much more accurately than did the committee. Most of the transactions on the average board of trade are gambling pure and simple, and far more dangerous in a community than a roulette wheel, because recognized by law as a legitimate game.

The report of the home shows twenty-nine inmates, maintenance \$4,614.81; a number of amendments to the code were submitted and adopted; the committee on semi-centennial celebration recommended that the grand lodge be convened Sept. 23d to observe its fiftieth anniversary, with an appropriate programme and an appropriation of \$3,500; greetings were exchanged with the Grand Lodge of Iowa;

an appropriation of \$5,000 was made for another building at the home in Plattsmouth; the grand secretary was instructed to duplicate the Jordan medal in gold, now being worn by Bro. C. E. Burnham, past grand master, as the oldest mason in Nebraska; documentary evidence was required from all visitors; four charters were granted; the Grand Lodge of Queensland was recognized; and thanks were extended to the local lodges for their hospitality.

The report on foreign correspondence was again prepared by Bro. C. J. Phelps, an able paper. Of Minnesota he notes:

Bro. Irving Todd again presents an excellent report on correspondence, covering ninety-two pages. Nebraska, 1906, receives generous fraternal consideration.

M. W. O. J. King, Lincoln, Grand Master; R. W. F. E. White, Omaha, reelected Grand Secretary, and continued as chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

NEVADA, 1907.

The forty-third annual communication was held at Reno, June 11th and 12th, M. W. W. J. Harris, Grand Master. Twenty-two lodges represented; twenty-three on the roll. Eight past grand masters present; our representative absent.

One charter for a new lodge. Membership twelve hundred and forty-one; gain one hundred and twenty-eight. Receipts \$1,832.35.

The portrait is that of the grand master.

The address is a brief statement of official acts, with no decisions; Bro. Samuel Unsworth delivered the model oration of the year, hardly a page and a half; the Grand Lodge of Queensland was recognized; a charter was granted to the lodge under dispensation; the edict of non-intercourse with the Grand Lodge of Hamburg was withdrawn; the general regulation authorizing the payment of \$100 to life members upon surrender of their certificates was rescinded; a constitutional

amendment was adopted permitting a lodge to change its place of meeting without a two-thirds vote in cases of emergency; fraternal greetings were exchanged with the Grand Lodge of Washington; the salary of the grand secretary was increased to \$600; a committee of past grand masters was appointed to formulate a uniform method of opening and closing a lodge and in giving the public grand honors; the grand orator gave a second address upon the origin of the surname Abif, which does not appear in the proceedings; and a banquet was served by the Eastern Star ladies.

The report on foreign correspondence was prepared by Bro. A. L. Fitzgerald as grand commissioner of review, Bro. E. D. Vanderlieth having resigned owing to trouble of the eyes, which it is to be hoped will prove but a temporary affliction. The vacancy was well filled. Minnesota for 1907 is complimented as follows:

The address of Grand Master Thomas Morris is comparatively short, but interesting, the matter thereof being clearly conceived and forcibly stated.

The correspondence report is from the pen of Bro. Irving Todd. It is spicy and interesting reading. He thinks a brother suspended for non-payment of dues should not, on restoration, be required to pay dues for the time that he was so suspended. In some, perhaps many, cases he should not, but also in many he should. Is not this a matter in which uniformity of rule is undesirable? Should not each case stand on its own merits? Bro. Todd differs from Bro. Vanderlieth on this subject. Nevada receives a notice of two pages. Liberal quotations are made from Bro. Vanderlieth's pen.

It is hard to conceive of a case in which the old rule, no member no dues, would not justly apply. Possibly Nevada can produce an exception.

Bro. Fitzgerald holds that the basis of a mason's duty is the love of God; that a masonic lodge is not a reformatory; that names of candidates should never appear in print; that a lodge should be permitted to select its material in accordance with the true teaching of masonry on the subject of temper-

ance; and that the opening and closing in all the degrees in one evening is not only wearisome, but also unnecessary.

M. . W. . Robert Lewers, Reno, Grand Master; V. . W. . C. N. Noteware, Carson City, reëlected Grand Secretary; Bro. A. L. Fitzgerald, Eureka, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

NEW BRUNSWICK, 1906.

The thirty-ninth annual communication was held at St John, Aug. 28th and 29th, M. . W. . E. J. Everett, Grand Master. Twenty-one lodges represented; thirty-six on the roll. Four past grand masters present, our representative among the number.

Membership two thousand, three hundred, and thirty; gain one hundred and thirty. Receipts \$2,395.64.

The portraits are of two past grand masters.

The address is a detailed statement of unimportant affairs, and with the address of the grand chaplain on St. John's Day fills more than half of the thin pamphlet; the remaining \$3,000 in bonds were paid during the year, and the grand lodge is out of debt; the fund of benevolence was stated at \$3,630.08; a number of constitutional amendments were adopted; a charter was granted to the lodge under dispensation; the Grand Lodge of Alberta was recognized, and the application of the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico deferred; \$500 were transferred to the fund of benevolence; and a contribution of \$25 was made to the masonic fair at Halifax.

M. . W. . E. J. Everett, Grand Master, was reëlected and V. . W. . J. T. Hartt, Grand Secretary, reappointed; both of St. John.

NEW HAMPSHIRE, 1907.

The one hundred and eighteenth annual communication was held at Concord, May 15th, M. . W. . W. A. Plummer, Grand Master. Fifty-one lodges represented; seventy-nine

on the roll. Thirteen past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Membership nine thousand, seven hundred, and twenty-seven; gain thirty-two. Receipts \$8,451.98.

The portraits are of two past grand masters and four deceased district deputy grand masters.

Thirteen local decisions were reported; the amount contributed to California relief was stated at \$1,539.75; the charter of a dormant lodge was recalled; the Grand Lodge of Alberta was recognized; the committee on digest reported that the work was nearly completed; the customary lunch was provided; a resolution of sympathy was extended to their senior grand chaplain in his illness; all questions on dual and life membership were referred to the committee on jurisprudence, to report next year; and thanks were returned for the use of the apartments.

The vacancy in the committee on foreign correspondence was filled by Bro. H. M. Cheney, past grand master, who submitted an excellent report, with the following paragraphs referring to Minnesota:

At the afternoon session the grand master delivered his address.
* * * It is a combination of good things that warrants an expression of appreciation.

Special dispensations were granted for numerous reasons, the only ones attracting our attention being two granted to elect officers, "they failing to have a quorum at the stated meeting." With us three master masons still constitute a master's lodge, as in the days of the long ago; but these two dispensations, granted because of no quorum, suggest that our Minnesota brethren have put this old time three on the shelf, displacing it with some modern number of their own. If our inference is correct, we ally ourselves at once with those who object to the innovation as being most decidedly unmasonic.

His decisions, as reported, do not conflict with general practice.

In accordance with their custom, their grand orator, Bro. Owen Morris, delivered an oration full of fine thoughts and suggestions.

The foreign correspondence report is by Bro. Irving Todd. It requires only ninety-two pages in the printing, evidence of his expertness in the boiling down process, as we discover nothing of much worth omitted. With him a word or a line says much, a rare gift,

because it reduces expense of publication and increases the probability of the report being more generally read. New Hampshire for 1906 gets a trifle over a page, in which the only correction we would make is the statement that we recognized Alberta. It was an easy error, because pretty much all the other grand lodges did extend recognition, but it so happens that New Hampshire did not, though we might have safely done so, had the required evidence of regularity been presented to us, as it seems not to have been.

Under the Minnesota law a lodge can do no business without seven of its own members being present.

We were a little premature about Alberta, but then it was an eleventh hour review, as it is again this year.

M. . W. . W. A. Plummer, Laconia, Grand Master; and R. . W. . F. D. Woodbury, Concord, Grand Secretary, were reëlected; Bro. H. M. Cheney, Lebanon, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

NEW JERSEY, 1907.

The one hundred and twentieth annual communication was held at Trenton, Mar. 20th and 21st, M. . W. . Walter Chandler, Grand Master. One hundred and seventy-four lodges represented; one hundred and eighty on the roll. Ten past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Membership twenty-six thousand, five hundred, and ninety-five; gain sixteen hundred and twenty-two. Receipts \$26,886.70.

The portrait is that of the grand master.

The address fills ninety pages of the bulky volume, half of which might have been omitted to positive advantage; the usual number of visitors from neighboring jurisdictions were in attendance, together with the governor and other state officials; eight local decisions were reported; a half tone of the bronze tablet placed in St. Mary's Church at Burlington in commemoration of Bro. Daniel Coxe, the first provincial grand master, is given in the proceedings; the report of the home gives seventy-four inmates, maintenance \$17,100.50; it was resolved to have the grave of Bro. A. D. Woodruff, past grand

master, restored to a proper condition; the date of holding the annual communications was changed to the third Wednesday in April; the plan of seating the grand lodge by districts was ordered to take effect next year; greetings were forwarded to two brethren, absent by reason of illness; the grand lodges of Alberta and Tasmania were recognized; a warrant was granted for a new lodge; an appropriation of \$100 was made to the library for books and \$100 for binding; the Grand Orient of the Netherlands was recognized; the salary of the grand secretary was placed at \$3,000, with \$1,200 for an assistant; the banner carried at the head of the line in the procession at New York, Feb. 22d, 1832, the one hundredth anniversary of Bro. George Washington's birthday, was presented by a local lodge and ordered framed for preservation; and a jewel and apron were presented to the retiring grand master.

Bro. R. A. Shirrefs prepared another readable report on foreign correspondence, from which two extracts are taken as follows:

An unusually fine oration was delivered by Grand Orator E. A. Kling.

Bro. Irving Todd reviews New Jersey for 1905 with the other grand lodges, and does so with careful discrimination.

M. W. A. H. McGregor, Newark, Grand Master; R. W. T. H. R. Redway, Trenton, reelected Grand Secretary; Bro. R. A. Shirrefs, Elizabeth, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

NEW MEXICO, 1906.

The twenty-ninth annual communication was held at Albuquerque, Oct. 15th and 16th, M. W. J. G. Fitch, Grand Master. Nineteen lodges represented; twenty-five on the roll. Seven past grand masters present.

One dispensation for a new lodge. Membership sixteen hundred and twenty-nine; gain one hundred and forty-one. Receipts \$2,796.

Thirteen local decisions were reported; the grand lodges of Alberta and Valle de Mexico were recognized; the salary of the grand secretary was fixed at \$400, of the grand lecturer at \$200 and necessary expenses, and of the chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence at \$200; a charter was granted to the lodge under dispensation; a telegram of sympathy was forwarded to an absent past grand master; and jewels were presented to the retiring grand master and two past grand masters.

Bro. J. H. Wroth submitted his second report on foreign correspondence, a carefully prepared paper, in which he says of Minnesota for 1906:

He shows good judgment in refusing dispensations, not only when made for purposes contrary to the laws of the jurisdiction, but for some other trifling requests.

It appears that in Minnesota they have more or less trouble with district deputy grand masters. At the last communication a resolution was adopted making them members of the grand lodge. The grand master considered this a violation of the constitution, as it places too much power in the hands of the grand master. His views in this matter did not meet with the approval of the committee. New Mexico recognizes them as members of the grand lodge, but does not give them the right to vote at the election of grand officers, although they participate in all other business. District deputy grand masters in all jurisdictions should be a necessary adjunct to the grand master, enabling them to keep in closer touch with the craft than he otherwise could, but, until some standing or general recognition is given them, trouble will always arise as regards the quality of the work they perform.

A resolution prohibiting the taking of pictures in the grand lodge room during the session of the grand lodge was adopted. This should meet with the hearty approval of everybody. Pictures of such an organization are, to say the least, bad taste and extremely questionable.

The usual report of the Masonic Veterans accompanies the proceedings.

The report of the chairman of foreign correspondence, under the leadership of Bro. Irving Todd, while reviewing New Mexico, finds nothing to criticise.

M. W. A. N. Pratt, Carlsbad, Grand Master; R. W. A. A. Keen, Albuquerque, reelected Grand Secretary; Bro. J. H. Wroth, Albuquerque, committee on foreign correspondence.

NEW SOUTH WALES, 1906.

At the September quarterly the grand master reported the issuance of a warrant for a new lodge and eighty-nine dispensations, of which forty-six were for permission to wear regalia and six for the initiation of a Lewis.

At the December quarterly the issuance of a warrant for a new lodge, the revival of a dormant lodge, and the issuance of forty-six dispensations were reported, twenty-five for permission to wear regalia and one for the initiation of a Lewis; a jewel was presented the Earl of Jersey, past grand master.

At the March quarterly the issuance of a warrant for a new lodge and fifty-three dispensations were reported, twenty-one for permission to wear regalia and six for the initiation of a Lewis.

M. W. H. H. Rawson, governor of the state and grand master elect, was installed at a special communication in April and re-nominated at another in June.

At the June quarterly the issuance of a warrant for a new lodge and sixty-three dispensations were reported, twenty-two for permission to wear regalia and two for the initiation of a Lewis; grand officers were elected.

The total number of lodges is given at two hundred and six, an increase of five during the year. Membership eleven thousand, one hundred, and forty-one; gain six hundred and thirty-one. Receipts £3,523.

The report on foreign correspondence was presented by the new committee of five, Minnesota for 1905 being reviewed by Bro. J. P. Webster, from which we take the following:

An association termed A Masonic Veteran Association is in existence, the doings of which are set out in a lengthy review at the end of the volume. What qualifications are necessary for the purpose of becoming a member, or what constitutes a veteran, is not given. Whether it be grand lodge rank, or a certain number of years in the craft, or a given age, or otherwise is not stated. The thirteenth annual reunion took place at St. Paul, on 17th January, 1905, whereat many addresses were delivered and general business attended to. An honor-

any roll of members is given, which includes twenty-one members who have each been over fifty years in the craft.

A general review of the doings of other grand lodges is given, covering eighty pages of print. That of New South Wales is missing, which is explained in a foot-note, saying that the annual volume had not come to hand. All being well, doubtless it will appear in the next issue.

A long oration on Freemasonry is given by Bro. L. G. Hoffmann, of St. Paul. * * *

Many of the beautiful speeches given by our distinguished brethren in America are well worth the time of perusing and studying, and are indeed, a great credit to the grand lodges who are honored by their abilities and great gifts. Long may it continue so.

For the benefit of Bro. Webster we would state that the qualifications for membership in our veteran association are twenty-one years a master mason.

The fifteenth annual report of the Freemason's Benevolent Institution concludes the volume.

M.: W.: H. H. Rawson was reëlected Grand Master; V.: W.: A. H. Bray, Grand Secretary; both of Sydney.

NEW YORK, 1907.

The one hundred and twenty-sixth annual communication was held at New York, May 7th, 8th, and 9th, M.: W.: Townsend Scudder, Grand Master. A constitutional number of lodges were reported in attendance; seven hundred and seventy-five on the roll. Nine past grand masters and our representative present.

Five dispensations for new lodges. Membership one hundred and forty-six thousand and twenty-six; gain six thousand, eight hundred, and twenty-three. Receipts \$184,651.80.

The death of Bro. F. H. Robinson, past grand master, was announced.

The portraits are of the grand master and a past grand master.

The address is a bulky document of sixty-five pages, largely given to obituaries, correspondence, statistics, and recom-

mendations, Minnesota being erroneously placed in the perpetual jurisdiction column; the contribution to the earthquake sufferers in Jamaica is reported at \$2,500; the reports of the home give maintenance at \$70,043.57, repairs and other expenses \$23,748.50, number of inmates three hundred and twenty-one; fraternal relations were restored with the Grand Lodge of Hamburg, after a suspension of fifty-six years; the report of the grand historian brings the record down to No. 147, with several cuts of old and new lodge halls, and a vast amount of valuable and interesting information; a large number of accessions are reported by the grand librarian, and a weeding out of books not properly belonging there; the German Masonic Temple Association report that a new building of brick and stone is being erected at their home in Tappen to replace the wooden one, with voluntary contributions of \$25,000; the board of relief report disbursements of \$4,090.13; the Brooklyn Masonic Guild report a balance of \$109,737.37 in its building fund; the judge advocate reports many questions of law and fact submitted, recommends a thorough revision of the Book of Constitutions, and announces that the penal code has been sustained in court; the committee on antiquities report the receipt of several rare articles, recommending that all not of a masonic character be eliminated from the extensive collection; the grand officers, were elected by acclamation; the report of the committee on deceased brethren is followed by twenty memorial pages; the board of audit was authorized to employ public accountants to devise a simplified method of bookkeeping, and also to audit the accounts annually; Bro. E. B. Hayes, ninety-five years of age and over seventy years a mason, was introduced by the grand master; several distinguished visitors from neighboring jurisdictions were welcomed; it was resolved to turn over the D. D. Tompkins fund to the proposed orphanage in lieu of a monument; a number of proposed amendments to the constitution were concurred in, and a committee on revision provided for; and three charters were granted and one dispensation continued.

A second brief report on foreign correspondence was submitted by Bro. William Sherer, the translations by Bro. Emil Frenkel.

M. W. Townsend Scudder, Glen Head, Grand Master, and M. W. E. M. L. Ehlers, New York, Grand Secretary, were reelected. Bro. William Sherer, New York, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

NEW ZEALAND, 1907.

The eighteenth annual communication was held at Invercargill, May 8th and 9th, M. W. Lord Plunket, Grand Master. One hundred and two lodges represented; one hundred and forty-seven on the roll. Three past grand masters present.

Four charters granted for new lodges, one being of Irish constitution. Membership eight thousand, four hundred, and ninety-nine; gain six hundred and sixteen. Receipts £2,551.

The death of Bro. R. J. Seddon, past grand master, was announced.

The portraits are of the grand master, the deputy grand master, the grand wardens, and a grand superintendent.

The interminable controversies with the Grand Lodge of Scotland and the Grand Lodge of England had another airing; the proposed conference of the grand lodges of Australasia was delayed, owing to Tasmania and Victoria having declined to be represented; the Grand Lodge of Alberta was recognized; past rank was bestowed upon provincial or district grand officers of any constitution; a jewel was presented to a retiring grand superintendent; amendments were made to the rules providing that nominations for superintendent be made by the past masters of the district, and that no candidate be balloted for until two months after being proposed, or initiated until one month after being elected; and a conversazione and dance and excursion up the Pourapourakino River were tendered by the local brethren.

Extracts from the Kansas, Canada, and Illinois proceedings were given in lieu of a report on foreign correspondence.

M.: W.: Lord Plunket reëlected Grand Master; M.: W.: Malcolm Niccol, Grand Secretary; both of Christchurch.

NORTH CAROLINA, 1907.

The one hundred and twentieth annual communication was held at Raleigh, Jan. 8th, 9th, and 10th, M.: W.: F. D. Winston, Grand Master. Two hundred and seventeen lodges represented; three hundred and fifty-two on the roll. Eleven past grand masters present; our representative in the grand east.

Twelve dispensations for new lodges; three charters surrendered; four restored. Membership sixteen thousand, eight hundred, and thirty-five; gain thirteen hundred and seven. Receipts \$11,881.90.

The portraits are of the grand master and a deceased past grand warden.

Fourteen unimportant decisions were reported; the reports of the Oxford Orphan Asylum show two hundred and eighty inmates, disbursements \$47,997.40; a lengthy address was delivered by Bro. J. J. Carden, grand orator; Bro. M. De L. Haywood, historian, announced that he had prepared *The Beginnings of Freemasonry in North Carolina and Tennessee, from 1735 to 1787*, which he had printed at his own expense; the temple committee reported the payment of \$36,000 for a site, \$2,200 for plans, and \$2,219.47 for miscellaneous expenses, and \$10,545.72 cash in bank; a copy of the new code was presented in print; the grand secretary was allowed an assistant, at \$50 per month; thanks were tendered to Bro. W. J. Hicks, superintendent of the asylum, for the donation of his salary the last several years; the Grand Lodge of Alberta was recognized, and the applications of Valle de Mexico and Alpina denied; the district deputies were charged with the work of extending the Order of the Eastern Star:

an appropriation of \$150 was made to the historian to reimburse him for expenses incurred in the publication of his valuable pamphlet; eleven charters were granted, one restored, and three dispensations continued; the Allen claim for material furnished in 1857 for what is now the main building of the Oxford asylum was reported compromised at \$800; the lodges of Charlotte tendered the proceeds of a bazaar, upwards of \$1,500, to the temple fund, to be returned with interest when it is determined to build a home; the committee on home was continued, to recommend a suitable location next year; a collection of \$41.03 was taken for the orphan asylum; a reprint of the proceedings was recommended, from organization to 1841, in which every masonic library is more or less interested; one of the decisions, that a man's legal residence is his masonic residence, was overruled by the jurisprudence committee, the point being that it requires two years to attain a legal residence in that state, and only one for a masonic residence; a resolution was adopted for the care and protection of wives, daughters, sisters, and mothers of master masons when sojourning within another jurisdiction; action upon a proposed ritual for a lodge of sorrow was deferred; a special committee was appointed to draft and present a bill to the legislature allowing fraternal organizations to hold property without being incorporated; and the action of last year concerning dimits was again adopted, owing to a clerical error in the records.

A copy of the historical pamphlet above referred to has since been received from the author, a valued addition to our library. He appears to have made excellent use of the limited material now available, and the work will be accepted as authority on all primeval matters in which the two jurisdictions are concerned. With this commendable beginning, if the contemplated reprint is made and brought down to 1850, North Carolina masonry will no longer remain a sealed book to the average masonic student.

Bro. J. A. Collins presented his eleventh report on foreign correspondence, a well written paper. He says of Minnesota :

The address of the grand master, H. M. Tusler, whose portrait adorns the volume, gives a full account of his stewardship for the year.

In the appendix is an oration by Bro. E. A. Kling, which is a very eloquent and rosy panegyric of the beauties of masonry.

The report on correspondence, covering one hundred and fifteen pages, is an admirable summary and review of the grand lodges whose proceedings have come to the hands of Bro. Irving Todd, whose many years of experience have enabled him to note important things in his journey through the masonic world. The transactions of North Carolina for 1905 are fraternally reviewed.

M. W. F. D. Winston, Windsor, Grand Master, and R. W. J. C. Drewry, Raleigh, Grand Secretary, were reelected; Bro. J. A. Collins, Enfield, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

NORTH DAKOTA, 1907.

The eighteenth annual communication was held at Grand Forks, June 25th and 26th, M. W. G. S. Hager, Grand Master. Seventy-two lodges represented; seventy-eight on the roll. Eleven past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Five dispensations for new lodges. Membership five thousand, nine hundred, and forty-five; gain three hundred and seventy-eight. Receipts \$6,745.67.

The portrait is that of the grand master, with groups of the grand officers and of the grand lodge, and cuts of two masonic temples.

The address is a practical business paper, as might be expected from the good looking picture facing the title page, with no decisions; the holding of an open air communication by Tuscan Lodge No. 44 on Park Island was reported; the grand secretary was instructed to supply each lodge with a copy of the Tableau of Regular Lodges; the report of the committee on masonic home fund was laid over a year; the appropriation to the grand master was increased to \$300; the grand secretary was authorized to supply the lodges with

books and blanks, at an advance of twenty per cent above cost; the grand lecturer and auditor was recommended to visit each lodge at least once in two years; four charters were granted, and one dispensation continued; the badges were ordered to be paid for out of grand lodge funds; a brief oration was delivered by Bro. W. L. Stockwell; thanks for courtesies were extended to the railroads and local lodge; and a banquet and theatre party were tendered the officers and members.

A leaflet explains that the delay in issuing the proceedings was caused by the failure of the writer on correspondence to furnish copy of his report to the grand secretary. It consists of less than two and a half pages, for which he receives \$100. There are also eight pages of decisions from other jurisdictions by the same author. Neither were worth waiting for over fifteen minutes.

M. W. John Riessbeck, Dickinson, Grand Master; R. W. F. J. Thompson, Fargo, reelected Grand Secretary; Bro. R. M. Carothers, Grand Forks, fraternal correspondent.

NOVA SCOTIA, 1906.

The forty-first annual communication was held at Halifax, June 13th and 14th, M. W. C. R. Smith, Grand Master. Forty-eight lodges represented; sixty-six on the roll. Six past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Membership four thousand, seven hundred, and fifteen; gain two hundred and ninety-eight. Receipts \$4,710.45.

The death of Bro. S. R. Sircom, past grand master, was announced.

Attendance was had upon divine service, with a sermon by the grand chaplain; the address and decisions are of local interest only; the grand lodges of Porto Rico and Alberta were recognized, and the request of Valle de Mexico deferred a year; the Grand Lodge of Canada was requested to change its name to one less liable to misapprehension; the grand

secretary was congratulated upon the fortieth anniversary of his marriage; past rank was conferred on three district deputies; and the work as practiced in New York was officially adopted.

The report on foreign correspondence was the joint effort of the grand secretary and Bro. A. P. Shatford, the latter reviewing Minnesota for 1906, in which he says:

The grand master's address is noteworthy for its concise and business like tone.

A very fine oration was delivered before grand lodge by Bro. E. A. Kling, of Little Falls. We have read it carefully, and our wish is that all brethren might be able to read it. To make extracts would be difficult and perhaps unfair, as the address is splendid from first to last.

The fraternal correspondence report is excellent, and under Nova Scotia we notice that our splendid secretary is reported as saying that "no church is justified in laying a corner stone on Sunday." We can scarcely believe that Bro. Mowbray made such a statement. To lay a corner stone for a church is distinctly a religious service, as much as the dedication and consecration of churches, and we can see no good reason against the holding of any religious service on Sunday. We have known bishops to lay corner stones on the Lord's Day.

In the rear of the journal are found the proceedings of the Masonic Veteran Association. A mason must be fifty years or upwards in the craft in order to belong to the honorary roll of Minnesota Veterans. But these gray beards or bald heads seem to have a sprightly time.

If the brother will turn to their proceedings of 1904, page three hundred and three, he will find the paragraph referred to, in a review of Missouri. Bro. Mowbray is unmistakably in accord with the prevailing sentiment in this country, that no masonic labor should be performed on Sunday other than the burial of a brother.

Twenty-one years instead of fifty constitutes a veteran in this jurisdiction.

Bro. Mowbray holds that it is decidedly objectionable to use postal cards in sending masonic notices of any kind, and Bro. Shatford that it would not seriously hurt the dignity or importance of American grand lodges to have British juris-

dictions mixed up with them in foreign correspondence reports, in both of which opinions we agree.

M. W. C. R. Smith, Amherst, Grand Master, and R. W. Thomas Mowbray, Halifax, Grand Secretary, were reëlected.

OHIO, 1907.

The ninety-eighth annual communication was held at Canton, Oct. 16th and 17th, M. W. H. A. Irvin, Grand Master. Four hundred and eighty-nine lodges represented; five hundred and seven on the roll. Sixteen past grand masters and our representative present.

Three dispensations for new lodges. Membership sixty-eight thousand, six hundred, and seventy-nine; gain three thousand, five hundred, and seventy-four. Receipts \$53,790.62.

The death of Bro. C. A. Woodward, past grand master, was announced.

The portrait is that of the grand master.

The address is a clean cut presentation of the official work of the past year, with six local decisions; the famous case of New-England Lodge No. 4 was reported to have been decided by the supreme court in favor of the legitimate body; the committee on history reported that the number of lodges responding to its request for statistics had only reached two hundred and twenty-five; the grand secretary was authorized to revise the code of laws; the S. S. Williams monument committee reported that the subscription had reached the sufficient amount of \$1,200.89, and was continued for the purpose of procuring and erecting a stone; greetings were exchanged with the grand lodges of Wisconsin and Kentucky, and with Bro. H. L. Palmer, of Milwaukee, upon his eighty-eighth birthday; three charters and one dispensation were granted; future applications to the grand lodge for dispensations must be filed sixty days before the annual communication; the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan was recognized; a jewel was voted to the retiring grand master; the committee on the S. S. Williams

library reported that it had been transferred to the Masonic Library Association of Cincinnati for the present; upon recommendation of the committee on jurisprudence J. R. Topping and D. H. Welling, two of the brethren expelled in 1891 for organizing a spurious grand lodge, were restored, and the application of Justin Pinney for restoration was laid over until next year; thanks were extended to the masons of Canton for their hearty hospitality; the committee on centennial celebration recommended that it be held at Cincinnati, Oct. 21st, 1908, at a cost not to exceed \$5,000; the rebate of \$1,600 from California was added to the emergency relief fund; due appreciation was expressed to the loyal members of New England Lodge No. 4 for their successful efforts in supporting legitimate masonry during the past sixteen years; and the reports of the home show one hundred and fifty-six inmates, disbursements \$36,997.06.

Another comprehensive report on foreign correspondence was presented by Bro. W. M. Cunningham, prefaced with communications from Bro. W. J. Hughan and Bro. R. F. Gould, and interesting papers by the learned chairman upon Early Freemasonry in France, Albert Pike and Symbolic Lodges, Masonic Symbolism, and Past Master's Degree. Minnesota for 1907 receives the usual fraternal review, including the following:

The annual address of the grand master, comprised in fifteen pages of the annual proceedings, is a succinct statement of duties discharged in his official year.

On the first day of the grand communication the grand orator, W. Bro. Owen Morris, delivered an interesting address on The Requirements and Duties of Freemasonry.

The report on foreign correspondence, submitted by R. W. Bro. Irving Todd, chairman of the committee, is, as his reports heretofore, an able synopsis of the transactions of grand lodges under consideration, constituting a valuable masonic paper of ninety-two pages. Bro. Todd has the happy faculty of condensation, and while his criticisms and comments are usually very brief, they are none the less pithy and pertinent. * * * The Ohio proceedings for 1906 receive courteous notice.

M. W. G. D. Copeland, Marion, Grand Master; R. W. J. H. Bromwell, Cincinnati, reelected Grand Secretary; Bro. W. M. Cunningham, Newark, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

OKLAHOMA, 1907.

The fifteenth annual communication was held at Guthrie, Feb. 12th and 13th, M. W. F. D. Sparks, Grand Master. One hundred and five lodges represented; one hundred and thirty-nine on the roll. Ten past grand masters present, including our representative.

Eighteen dispensations for new lodges; one charter suspended. Membership seven thousand, nine hundred, and seventy-eight; gain ten hundred and fifty-two. Receipts \$9,799.09.

The portrait is that of the grand master.

Twenty-four local decisions were reported, together with a number of special dispensations for the election of officers to fill vacancies and the conferring of degrees out of time; the California relief fund was stated at \$918.25, and the home fund at \$22,162.03; the master mason's degree was conferred by the committee on work; eighteen charters were granted, and one dispensation continued; a home commission was provided for, consisting of the grand master, grand treasurer, and grand secretary; half of the grand officers were elected by ballot, the other half by suspension of the rules and single vote; a compilation of the constitution, by-laws, and decisions was ordered; a very able address was delivered by Bro. G. W. Clark, grand orator; a plan of consolidation with the Grand Lodge of Indian Territory was submitted by the committee and adopted; thanks were returned to the local fraternity for their kind and courteous treatment; and a number of constitutional amendments were adopted.

Bro. W. M. Anderson submitted his first report on foreign correspondence, with the following comments on Minnesota:

Grand Orator E. A. Kling delivered an excellent oration, which was heartily received.

Bro. Irving Todd furnishes the report on correspondence. It covers one hundred and fifteen pages, and Oklahoma is fraternally recognized.

M. W. Earl Beebe, El Reno, Grand Master; R. W. J. S. Hunt, Guthrie, reëlected Grand Secretary; Bro. W. M. Anderson, Enid, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

OREGON, 1907.

The fifty-seventh annual communication was held at Portland, June 12th, 13th, and 14th, M. W. W. T. Williamson, Grand Master. Ninety-nine lodges represented; one hundred and seven on the roll. Seventeen past grand masters present; our representative absent.

One dispensation for a new lodge; one charter arrested. Membership eight thousand and eighty-five; gain three hundred and ninety-six. Receipts \$9,931.13.

The portrait is that of the grand master.

The address is a practical business paper, with few frills; three minor decisions were reported; the corner stone of the Commercial Club was laid the first afternoon, so the minutes read; the committee on uniformity of work announced the adoption of the Webb secret work and the Mackay written work, a combination worse than a crazy quilt; fraternal greetings were exchanged with the Grand Lodge of Washington; the salary of the grand secretary was increased to \$1,200; the entered apprentice and fellow craft degrees were exemplified by the committee; a very good address was delivered by Bro. T. F. Ryan, grand orator; recognition was extended to Alberta, Queensland, and Valle de Mexico; Italy was advised to proceed with the proposed celebration of Bro. Gen. Garibaldi's birthday without their coöperation; the standing resolutions were amended so as to dispense with the collection of grand lodge dues from lodges under dispensation; the petition of

twenty-eight past masters for a charter as a lodge of past masters was not granted, as involving dual membership forbidden by their constitution; the grand secretary was directed to procure a new grand lodge banner, and preserve the old one as a relic; the grand treasurer was authorized to loan the surplus funds to the masonic building association; lodges were recommended to pay no grand lodge dues on non-affiliates; a special committee was appointed to revise the mileage list; greetings were exchanged with the Grand Chapter O. E. S., this time by a committee; the master mason's degree was exemplified by the committee; the suspended lodge was given a new charter, retaining its old name, but it is to be hoped with a new number in accordance with the facts in the case; the officers of the Grand Lodge of Washington were welcomed as visitors in a body, a very pleasant incident; a delegation of Eastern Star ladies made a fraternal call during the hour of refreshment; the work submitted for inspection was declared a little too radical a change, and another committee was appointed to revise the so-called Bushee work and report next year; and a constitutional amendment providing for a grand lecturer was laid over for future consideration.

If the Past Grand Masters' Association held a meeting, and presumably they did, their proceedings were not made a matter of record.

The report on foreign correspondence was prepared by Bro. J. M. Hodson, one of the most fluent writers of the guild, from which we reproduce the following paragraphs:

The proceedings of the fifty-third annual, which was held in St. Paul, Jan. 17th and 18th, 1906, are introduced by the photo engraving of H. M. Tusler, presiding most worshipful grand master; a fine looking gentleman, who looks as if he knew exactly what he was there for.

We guess Bro. Diehl, of Utah, would be willing to wager a peck of pindars that this committee wouldn't know a landmark if they were to meet it in the road; all the same we think the committee right in reporting them safe, none having gotten away since the last invoice.

Bro. E. A. Kling, grand orator, delivered a fine address, above the average in thoughtfulness and good teaching, as the oration usually strikes the reader.

Bro. Irving Todd again wields the pen of instruction to the extent of one hundred and fifteen pages, well filled. He writes neither introductory nor conclusion, but puts in all the time in review. Oregon for 1905 has courteous attention. He was one of the many brethren from the east we had the pleasure of entertaining during the Lewis and Clark Exposition.

That may be a matter of local law all right, but after a master has installed his successor his official authority and rights cease, he falls back into the ranks of the brotherhood, but has no inherent rights above any other member.

With us a past master has the right to a seat in the east upon invitation, to a place of honor in processions, to be present when the so-called past master's degree is conferred upon a master elect, and to open and preside over his lodge in the absence of the master and wardens. These privileges may or may not be inherent, but they certainly are not enjoyed by any other member.

Bro. Hodson observes that every moneyed man is by no means suitable material out of which to make a mason, but is too often the greatest source of weakness to a lodge; that masonry in its symbols and teachings covers not only the most ancient, but the most simple and perfect religion ever taught among men; that the line of distinction between an actual and a virtual past master is too fine for his mind; that the standing and masonic worth of a grand lodge in the United States is largely judged by the report on correspondence it sends out, a sufficient reason for publishing one; that he has a greater respect for the Prince Hall mason than for the perjured wretches who went into the cerneau movement and formed the clandestine lodges of the east; that the masonic apron is purely emblematic, the different methods of wearing it only designating the degree attained; that whisky selling is a lawful occupation, but that does not recommend it to masonry; and that the ruins and monuments of the ancient

world all display the skill and knowledge of the operative mason.

M. . . W. . . L. L. Pearce, Salem, Grand Master; R. . . W. . . J. F. Robinson, Eugene, reelected Grand Secretary; Bro. J. M. Hodson, Portland, committee on foreign correspondence.

PENNSYLVANIA, 1906.

At the March quarterly two petitions for new lodges were referred to the grand officers.

At the June quarterly the Grand Lodge of Alberta was recognized, and petitions for two new lodges were referred to the grand officers.

At the September quarterly a petition for a new lodge was referred to the grand officers, and the death of Bro. G. P. Rupp, grand librarian, was announced.

At the December quarterly grand officers were elected, and two petitions for new lodges were referred to the grand officers.

The annual communication was held at Philadelphia, Dec. 27th, R. . . W. . . G. W. Kendrick, jr., Grand Master. Ninety-four lodges represented; four hundred and fifty-six on the roll.

Membership seventy-five thousand, two hundred, and seventy-three; gain four thousand and twenty-four. Receipts \$186,703.67.

The portraits are of the grand master and two past grand masters.

The address stated that the display of lights upon the Bible on the altar and the use of instrumental music during the conferring of degrees had been restored; that \$50,000 of the temple bonds had been paid and \$20,000 more would be in March, reducing the debt to \$125,000; that the California relief fund amounted to \$43,462.15; and that the use of intoxicating liquors at masonic banquets had been prohibited.

Thirty-three local decisions were reported; recognition of the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico and the Grand Lodge Alpina

were refused; a number of distinguished brethren from Delaware, New Jersey, and New York were received with the customary honors; the grand officers were installed; and seventeen pages of appointed officers, trustees, commissioners, committees, district deputies, almoners, stewards, and bursars were named, *a la Georgia*.

The quarterly proceedings contain several paragraphs like the following:

A communication was read from Lodge No.—, requesting grand lodge to grant it permission to receive from J. T. a second application for permission to present a third petition for initiation and membership, which was, on motion, granted.

A communication was read from Lodge No.—, requesting grand lodge to grant it permission to receive from H. B. B. an application for permission to present a fourth petition for initiation and membership, which was, on motion, granted.

Pennsylvania masonry is full of peculiarities, of which the above is a fair sample.

Bro. J. M. Lamberton submitted his usual report on correspondence, the following extracts being taken from his fraternal review of Minnesota for last year:

So, too, we regret to see so many public installations. We find it difficult to understand this sort of display before the public.

The officers of the grand lodge must have looked very well in their new collars and aprons and freshly gilded jewels.

The oration this year was by Bro. E. A. Kling, grand orator, who delighted his hearers. Our brother seems to be entirely sure that Sir Christopher Wren was grand master of the craft in England.

We had the pleasure of calling upon Grand Secretary Montgomery in his office at St Paul in August last, and had a very pleasant chat with that good brother.

The report on foreign correspondence is, as usual, by the chairman, Bro. Irving Todd, who gathers up the good things he sees, especial attention being given to a summing up of the opinion of his fellow writers, which he does excellently.

With us public installations are confined to masons and their families, and are usually very pleasant social affairs. No invita-

tion is extended to the general public, and there is no display whatever other than of eatables.

Under the head of Wisconsin the peculiar legislation heretofore referred to is explained as follows:

For our brother's benefit we may explain that, at or after the expiration of six months from the date of his final rejection on his first petition, with us the rejected petitioner may present a second petition to the lodge that rejected him; if he is again rejected, at or after the expiration of one year from that second rejection he may petition the lodge for permission to present a third petition; if the ballot is unanimous he may present a third petition, and, if, the petitioner is for the third time rejected, this rejection ends all action by the lodge; but the lodge may ask the grand lodge for permission to receive a fourth petition.

Consequently it appears that the applicant must pass the ordeal of an unanimous ballot twice before he can be elected to receive the degrees. Very simple, isn't it?

R.'. W.'. G. W. Kendrick, jr., Grand Master, and R.'. W.'. W. A. Sinn, Grand Secretary, were reelected; both of Philadelphia; Bro. J. M. Lamberton, Harrisburg, chairman of the committee on correspondence.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND, 1907.

The thirty-second annual communication was held at Charlottetown, June 24th, M.'. W.'. W. K. Rogers, Grand Master. Thirteen lodges represented; fourteen on the roll. Eight past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Membership six hundred and sixty-two; gain twenty-seven. Receipts \$367.30.

The address is chiefly devoted to visitations and the benevolent fund, with one local decision; a committee of five was appointed to submit rules and regulations for the dispensation of charity, and \$150 placed in the hands of the grand master for such purposes; the recommendation that traveling cards be furnished the members was adopted; a new committee

on revision of the constitution was appointed; the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan was recognized; thanks were returned to a railroad superintendent for courtesies, and to the local lodge for use of their hall; and eight hundred copies of the proceedings were ordered printed, and a copy mailed to each master mason in the jurisdiction.

M. W. W. K. Rogers, Charlottetown, Grand Master, and R. W. Neil MacKelvie, Summerside, Grand Secretary, were reelected.

QUEBEC, 1907.

The thirty-seventh annual communication was held at Montreal, Feb. 13th, M. W. D. A. Manson, Grand Master. Fifty-three lodges represented; fifty-eight on the roll. Five past grand masters and our representative present.

Three dispensations for new lodges, one being St. Lawrence No. 640, English register. Membership five thousand, four hundred, and eighty-eight; gain four hundred and eighty-eight. Receipts \$4,072.50.

The death of Bro. Edson Fitch, past grand master, was announced.

The portraits are of the grand master elect and the deceased past grand master.

Among the special dispensations reported were thirteen to wear regalia at lodge socials or at homes, seven to confer degrees out of time, and one to initiate a candidate who had lost several fingers; a brother of forty-six years' standing asked to be made a member of the grand lodge with full privileges, which was not granted; an able address was delivered by Bro. Carmichael, one of the district grand chaplains; three charters were granted, and a warrant of confirmation to the late English lodge; the rank of honorary past grand master was conferred upon the grand secretary and grand registrar of England; an oil portrait of the grand treasurer was unveiled in his absence, the first time in thirty-four years; the salary of the grand secretary was increased to \$900, a well earned compliment; regalia

was voted to the past grand masters; and a vote of sympathy was extended to two absent brethren.

The report on foreign correspondence was presented by Bro. E. T. D. Chambers, a well digested summary of affairs in the masonic world. The following appears under the head of Minnesota:

The grand master delivered an interesting address, reporting his official acts.

From the address of the grand orator, W. Bro. Owen Morris, we take the following instructive words: * * *

Bro. Irving Todd presented another carefully prepared report of correspondence, in which Quebec has pleasant notice.

M. W. G. O. Stanton, Grand Master; R. W. W. H. Whyte reëlected Grand Secretary; both of Montreal; Bro. E. T. D. Chambers, Quebec, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

QUEENSLAND, 1907.

At the September quarterly the petition for a new lodge was recommended to the grand master; Minnesota was erroneously included in the list of grand lodges extending recognition; and two brothers were accorded the rank of past grand master and one that of past deputy grand master.

At a special communication in November the grand officers were installed by the Grand Master of Western Australia, with a number of addresses, presentations of collars, etc.

At the March quarterly communications from the Australasian grand lodges in regard to the proposed conference were read, New South Wales, South Australia, and Western Australia agreeing to take part, Tasmania and Victoria dissenting, and petitions for two new lodges were recommended to the grand master.

At a special communication in June grand officers were nominated.

At the June quarterly a petition for a new lodge was recommended to the grand master, and grand officers were elected.

There are now fifty-two lodges on the roll. Membership not stated.

M.°. W.°. Lord Chelmsford reëlected Grand Master; R.°. W.°. C. H. Harley, Grand Secretary; both of Brisbane.

RHODE ISLAND, 1907.

The one hundred and seventeenth annual communication was held at Providence, May 20th, M.°. W.°. W. A. Presbrey, Grand Master. Thirty-six lodges represented; thirty-seven on the roll. Eight past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Membership six thousand, seven hundred, and nineteen; gain two hundred and forty-one. Receipts \$4,017.28.

The death of Bro. E. L. Freeman, past grand master, was announced.

The portrait is that of the grand master.

Three unimportant rulings were reported; and a jewel and apron were voted to the retiring grand master.

M.°. W.°. A. H. Armington, Grand Master; R.°. W.°. S. P. Williams reëlected Grand Secretary; both of Providence.

SASKATCHEWAN, 1906.

A preliminary meeting was held at Prince Albert, May 25th, to consider the advisability of forming a grand lodge in the new province, with W.°. J. G. M. Christie as chairman and Bro. J. N. Bayne as secretary. Committees on finance, constitution, and condition of masonry were appointed, with a deputation to wait on the Grand Lodge of Manitoba at its meeting in June.

The convention was held at Regina, Aug. 9th, R.°. W.°. W. Fawcett presiding, and Bro. F. S. Proctor secretary. Twenty-five of the twenty-nine lodges represented. A con-

stitution was adopted, and grand officers elected and installed, the Grand Master of Manitoba officiating.

M. W. H. H. Campkin, Indian Head, Grand Master;
R. W. J. M. Shaw, Regina, Grand Secretary.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA, 1907.

At the half-yearly communication, Oct. 17th, the Grand Lodge of Alberta was recognized, and the application of the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico postponed; a donation of £50 to the California sufferers was reported; a warrant was granted for a new lodge; and the grand secretary was appointed to represent the grand lodge at the proposed Australasian conference.

The annual communication was held at Adelaide, April 17th, M. W. S. J. Way, Grand Master. Twenty-four lodges represented; forty-five on the roll.

Membership two thousand, nine hundred, and thirty-four; gain one hundred and thirty-five. Receipts £704.

Grand officers were elected and installed.

M. W. S. J. Way reelected Grand Master; V. W. J. H. Cunningham, Grand Secretary; both of Adelaide.

SOUTH CAROLINA, 1906.

The one hundred and thirtieth annual communication was held at Charleston, Dec. 11th and 12th, M. W. F. E. Harrison, Grand Master. One hundred and ninety-two lodges represented; one hundred and ninety-eight on the roll. Six past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Five dispensations for new lodges. Membership ten thousand, four hundred, and three; gain seventeen hundred and fifteen. Receipts \$11,919.05.

The portraits are of the grand master and grand secretary.

There is nothing in the address or the twenty-one decisions reported of general interest; representatives of lodges under dispensation that had paid their dues were given seats and

placed on the pay roll; the contributions for California relief were stated at \$2,031.70; the Grand Lodge of Alberta was recognized, and the overtures from Mexico, Queensland, and Switzerland deferred; the proposed constitutional amendment for the benefit of candidates with physical disabilities was lost; Bro. E. W. Durant, past grand master of Minnesota, was received with the grand honors and made a few remarks; a board of trustees was appointed with a view of erecting a masonic home; a watch was presented to the junior past grand master; five charters were granted, and one restored; and several proposed constitutional amendments were laid over until next year.

The report on foreign correspondence was prepared by the grand secretary, a highly creditable document, in which Minnesota for 1906 is complimented by the following paragraphs:

Not only did Bro. Irving Todd present an excellent correspondence report, but he answered at roll call as the representative of our grand lodge.

The annual address is a business like paper.

Here is a grand master who really wanted to visit, and did it. His efforts remind us of the old saying, "Where there's a will, there's a way."

Bro. E. A. Kling delivered an oration, which we have read with interest.

The correspondence report is an interesting review of the usual grand lodge proceedings in an attractive form.

M. W. F. E. Harrison, Abbeville, was reelected Grand Master; R. W. J. T. Barron, Columbia, Grand Secretary.

SOUTH DAKOTA, 1907.

The thirty-third annual communication was held at Lead, June 11th and 12th, M. W. R. H. McCaughey, Grand Master. Eighty-eight lodges represented; one hundred and eight on the roll. Eight past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Three dispensations for new lodges. Membership six thousand, six hundred, and seventy-five; gain three hundred and thirty-nine. Receipts \$5,728.

The death of Bro. Frank Kunerth, grand tyler, was announced.

The portraits are of the grand master and the deceased grand officer. There are also several cuts of lodge buildings and halls.

Five local decisions were reported; a large number of donations to the library were acknowledged by the grand secretary; two charters were granted, and one dispensation continued; thanks were returned to the citizens for their hospitality and kindness; a delegation from the Grand Chapter, O. E. S., was welcomed; and the masonic veterans held their seventh annual reunion.

Bro. S. A. Brown submitted his usual report on foreign correspondence, and as a reward for his labors was duly promoted to senior grand warden. He writes of Minnesota:

Ten past grand masters appeared and the representatives of fifty-two grand lodges, in the lists of both of which appears our well beloved Bro. H. R. Wells.

Bro. Morris, grand orator, delivered an address which was a gem.

We hope this action (life membership) will not be initiated in South Dakota.

Notwithstanding the great prosperity of grand lodge the able committee on correspondence is still kept at the irreducible minimum of \$100. It is this year, as usual, by the inimitable Bro. Irving Todd, who gives his brethren more information to the page than any other known to your committee.

Bro. Brown favors the practice of lodges attending church on St. John's days as a periodic public profession of faith.

M. W. W. A. Milligan, Aberdeen, Grand Master; R. W. G. A. Pettigrew, Sioux Falls, reelected Grand Secretary; Bro. S. A. Brown, Sioux Falls, committee on correspondence.

TENNESSEE, 1907.

The ninety-third annual communication was held at Nashville, Jan. 30th to Feb 1st, M. W. Robert Burrow, Grand Master. Four hundred and twenty-one lodges represented; four hundred and thirty-one on the roll. Eighteen past grand masters present; our representative absent.

One dispensation for a new lodge; one charter surrendered. Membership twenty thousand, nine hundred, and eighty-six; gain eight hundred and sixty-eight. Receipts \$30,065.71.

The death of Bro. J. L. Sloan, past grand master, was announced.

The portrait is that of the grand master elect.

Sixty-seven local rulings were reported; the report of the home shows one hundred and thirty-six inmates, maintenance \$13,536.65; an amendment to the edicts provides that no committee shall consider any matter pertaining to the business of the grand lodge unless the same has been filed with the grand secretary five days before the annual meeting, or referred to the committee by the grand lodge; thanks were extended to a business college for free instruction of about twenty boys and girls from the home; the endowment fund was reported at \$27,250.42; the committee on jurisprudence held that the grand lodge had no power to deprive the grand master of his prerogative to make masons at sight; it was resolved that no convocation of past masters or other masonic meeting should be held during the hours of grand lodge session; the report of the committee on purchase of additional land for the home was not concurred in, and they were discharged; Greeneville Lodge No. 119 was allowed to take the rank and number of Greenville Lodge No. 3, which became dormant in 1824; the committee on revision of code was granted further time; four charters and four dispensations were granted; the past grand masters were requested to prepare for publication a call to the masons of the United States to join in the suppression of cipher rituals; the proposed amendment to the constitution permitting grand officers to be reelected for a second term was not concurred

in; the signet ring was transferred; and forty-two new members were received at the convocation of past masters.

A brief report on foreign correspondence was prepared by Bro. H. A. Chambers, with a still briefer notice of Minnesota. Aside from the decisions, the following is the whole of it:

The address of Grand Master H. M. Tusler covered the usual topics. His decisions and other rulings were approved.

Minnesota has a grand orator. This year it was Bro. E. A. Kling, who delivered an eloquent oration in praise of masonry.

Tennessee for 1906 received fraternal notice, with quotations from Grand Master J. L. Sloan and this committee, in the report on foreign correspondence by Bro. Irving Todd.

M. W. G. E. Seay, Gallatin, Grand Master; R. W. J. B. Garrett, Nashville, reelected Grand Secretary; Bro. H. A. Chambers, Chattanooga, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

TEXAS, 1906.

The seventy-first annual communication was held at Waco, Dec. 4th, 5th, and 6th, M. W. S. M. Bradley, Grand Master. Three hundred and eighty-nine lodges represented; seven hundred and twenty-three on the roll. Fifteen past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Eight dispensations for new lodges; one charter arrested. Membership thirty-nine thousand, one hundred, and twenty-six; gain eight hundred and fifty-six. Receipts \$30,678.

The deaths of Bro. B. R. Abernathy and Bro. M. F. Mott, past grand masters, were announced.

The portraits are of the grand master elect and a past grand master.

Twelve unimportant decisions were reported; fraternal greetings were transmitted to Bro. R. M. Elgin, their oldest past grand master; the Grand Lodge of Alberta was recognized; the reports of the home show one hundred and seventy-five inmates, improvements and repairs \$47,788.56, mainte-

nance \$27,766.77; an address was delivered on the Morais of Freemasonry by Bro. H. R. Coleman, grand chaplain of Kentucky, but not furnished for publication; the auditorium at the home was reported completed, at a cost of \$7,798.31; the committees on grievances and appeals were directed to publish abbreviated reports, without names; a revision of the laws was ordered; nineteen charters were granted and one restored; and pictures were directed to be obtained of the deceased past grand masters.

The report on foreign correspondence was again prepared by Bro. T. M. Matthews, one of the esteemed veterans of the guild, who comments upon the Minnesota proceedings of 1906 as follows:

The address of the grand master is a practical business like report of the functions he had performed.

An excellent address was made by Grand Orator E. A. Kling upon the question, Why are we Masons?

The report on foreign correspondence comes again, as for some years it has done, from the hand of Bro. Irving Todd. It covers this year one hundred and fifteen pages, and is an excellent summary of the proceedings reviewed, among which appears Texas, 1904, and to a notice of which he gives four pages. * * * Bro. Todd seems to have visited Texas more than once, and to like it. Speaks particularly of being in San Antonio, saying that next to New York Texas seems more like home to him than any other place outside of Minnesota. Come again, and as often as you will, Bro. Todd. You will always be welcome.

Bro. Matthews infers that a statutory provision is of little use, if violated by the grand master at his own sweet will; that masons are only men, swayed more or less by passion and prejudice; that none of the negro lodges are regular or legitimate; that the electioneering methods of some of the schools of instruction savor greatly of the ward heeler; that the representatives should be the medium of communication between grand lodges; that their law permitting a lodge to be opened by one of its past masters, in the absence of the master and wardens, works well and often saves trouble,

just as it does in Minnesota; and that but little stock should be taken in a masonic congress.

M.:W.: J. P. Bell, Bellville, Grand Master; R.:W.: John Watson, Waco, reëlected Grand Secretary; Bro. T. M. Matthews, Athens, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

UTAH, 1907.

The thirty-sixth annual communication was held at Salt Lake City, Jan. 15th and 16th, M.:W.: S. W. Badcon, Grand Master. The eleven lodges all represented. Twelve past grand masters present; our representative absent.

One dispensation for a new lodge. Membership thirteen hundred and forty-three; gain seventy-three. Receipts \$2,326.72.

The death of Bro. C. W. Bennett, past grand master, was announced.

The portraits are of the grand master elect and the deceased past grand master. There are also cuts of the temples at Ogden and Salt Lake City, and of the first masonic hall in Utah.

The address is brief, with one decision reported; sixty-eight bound books have been added to the library during the year; a charter was granted to the lodge under dispensation; the circular from the District of Columbia in relation to a general observance of the bi-centenary of the first grand lodge, in 1917, was referred to their representative; a committee of past grand masters was appointed to visit a past grand master lying dangerously ill in a hospital; the Grand Lodge of Alberta was recognized, and the applications of Valle de Mexico and Alpina deferred; a committee on grievance and appeals was provided for, there being two cases for review; worshipful masters were required to hold a certificate of qualification from the grand lecturer; lodges were authorized to use stage equipment in conferring the degrees; thanks were tendered to the local bodies for the use of their

halls and other courtesies; the signet ring was passed along the line; a jewel was presented to the retiring grand master; and a banquet was served.

The proceedings at the dedication of the new temples and a brief sketch of Utah masonry are given in the appendices.

The report on foreign correspondence comes from the grand secretary as a matter of course, his thirty-first. In Minnesota's page we find the following:

The annual oration was delivered by Bro. E. A. Kling. It was listened to attentively and heartily received at the close.

The report on correspondence, one hundred and fifteen pages, was as usual, prepared by Bro. Irving Todd. Among the proceedings reviewed were those of Utah for 1905, which received fraternal and kind notice in a little over one page.

The fourteenth annual reunion of the Masonic Veteran Association was held in St. Paul, Jan. 16th, 1906. The venerable brethren had an enjoyable time.

Bro. Diehl holds that the grand master's prerogative to make masons at sight is a farce, and never did exist; that a man should not be kicked for the sins of his father, even if born out of wedlock; that a past grand master's association is liable to create an aristocracy that has no place in masonry; and that no discussion should be permitted before or after a ballot.

M.:W.: W. J. Barrette, Grand Master; R.:W.: Christopher Diehl reelected Grand Secretary; both of Salt Lake City.

VERMONT, 1907.

The one hundred and fourteenth annual communication was held at Burlington, June 12th and 13th, M.:W.: C. A. Calderwood, Grand Master. Eighty-three lodges represented; one hundred and two on the roll. Five past grand masters present; our representative absent.

One consolidation. Membership twelve thousand and seventy-eight; gain two hundred and seventy-six. Receipts \$8,784.70.

The deaths of Bro. N. P. Bowman and Bro. C. R. Montague, past grand masters, were announced.

The address is a very readable paper, with no decisions; the grand lodges of Alberta, Queensland, and Porto Rico were recognized; one charter was granted; and fraternal greetings were extended to Bro. Kittredge Haskins, past grand master, upon having reached his fiftieth year as a mason.

The report on foreign correspondence was ably prepared by Bro. M. O. Perkins, with the customary fraternal notice of Minnesota, in which he says:

"Agreeably to an ancient custom in all well regulated grand lodges," which by the way is neither usage nor regulation in many, an oration was pronounced by Bro. Owen Morris, who believes in the social features of lodge life, and that to answer the purpose of its existence masonry should be intensely practical, to which we must cordially assent, provided action, not profession, is meant.

Bro. Irving Todd again applies his condenser, and brings forth another of his *multum in parvo* reports on correspondence, in which Vermont for 1906 is fraternally accorded generous space and notice.

The proceedings of the Masonic Veteran Association are found, as usual, in the appendix, and again afford interesting reading.

M. W. C. A. Calderwood, St. Johnsbury, Grand Master, and R. W. H. H. Ross, Burlington, Grand Secretary, were reelected; Bro. M. O. Perkins, Windsor, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

VIRGINIA, 1907.

The one hundred and twenty-ninth annual communication was held at Richmond, Feb. 12th, 13th, and 14th, M. W. Kosciusko Kemper, Grand Master. One hundred and seventy-seven lodges represented; one hundred and ninety-six on the roll. Six past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Seven dispensations for new lodges. Membership seventeen thousand, nine hundred, and twenty-five; gain nine hundred and forty-four. Receipts \$27,391.84.

The portrait is that of the grand master elect.

The address is a review of the work of the year, with six local rulings; a reduction of \$5,000 was reported in the temple debt; the total contributions to California relief were \$3,650; the grand lodges Valle de Mexico and Alberta were recognized; a past master for fifty years a member of the grand lodge was presented and saluted; a past grand master of North Carolina was welcomed as a visitor; the governor of the state was introduced to the brethren; five charters were granted, and two dispensations continued; suitable entertainment was ordered to be provided at the Jamestown Exposition for members of the craft visiting it from May to November; the bi-centenary proposition of the District of Columbia was considered premature; several proposed amendments to the Methodical Digest were turned down by the committee on jurisprudence; the salary of the grand secretary was increased to \$2,400, and that of the grand treasurer to \$600; the revision of the Digest was approved, and a new edition of the Text Book ordered; and the report of the home shows \$8,757.34 disbursements, number of inmates not stated.

Bro. J. W. Eggleston is the author of another well written report on foreign correspondence, which has been read with interest. We quote the following from his fraternal review of Minnesota:

The grand master left all the masonic oratory to others and dealt strictly with grand lodge business.

The next decision does not concern us, as it involved a long explanation defining the difference between an auditor of a brewing company who has a voice in the management, and an auditor who only runs accounts as an employe. It is one more illustration of the fact that class legislation in masonry is a mistake, and a troublesome one at that.

Seldom do we quote from masonic orations, but the following is so clear an explanation and answer to the commonest questions asked

by young masons of older ones, we think it should be given the craft. It is from the oration of Bro. E. A. Kling.

Bro. Irving Todd's foreign correspondence reports are always scholarly and charming, but this time his review of Virginia, 1905, calls for considerable reply.

Bro. Eggleston sturdily defends their practice of permitting dual and honorary membership, and of conferring the past master's degree upon wardens, which does not concern us in the least. It is however an admission that their statistics are not correct, as no one knows how many times a brother has been counted to make up the eighteen thousand claimed on the rolls. Neither do we consider their Digest superior to the average grand lodge constitution, as it is more or less tinkered with every year, and frequently revised. When occasion requires the grand master calmly ignores it and acts for the best interests of the craft; regardless of the statutes laid down in the text book. This he terms suspension, and not violation; the result is the same.

M. W. S. J. Quinn, Fredericksburg, Grand Master; R. W. G. W. Carrington, Richmond, reelected Grand Secretary; Bro. J. W. Eggleston, Richmond, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

WASHINGTON, 1907.

The fiftieth annual communication was held at Tacoma, June 11th, 12th, and 13th, M. W. E. F. Waggoner, Grand Master. One hundred and forty lodges represented; one one hundred and forty-two on the roll. Fourteen past grand masters present, our representative heading the list.

Six dispensations for new lodges. Membership ten thousand, nine hundred, and three; gain one thousand and twenty-three. Receipts \$11,098.75.

The portraits are of the grand master and four past grand lodge officers.

The address is a comprehensive presentation of masonic matters in that jurisdiction, with ten local rulings; the grand

master was tendered the gratitude of the grand lodge for his zeal, energy, and ability, which he appears to have justly merited; greetings were received from the grand high priest, pledging anew his fidelity; recognition of Valle de Mexico and Guatemala was deferred, and the resolution of non-intercourse with Hamburg repealed; Bro. W. A. De Wolf Smith, of British Columbia, was welcomed as a visitor; the special committee on masonic home recommended the combination method for the present; the proposed recognition of the ancient and accepted rite, in countries where dominant, was not approved, following an able report on the subject from the committee on foreign correspondence; the special committee on cremation service filed its report; one of the best addresses of the year was delivered by Bro. H. W. Canfield, grand orator; resolutions were adopted calling upon the fraternity to support the action of the peace conference at the Hague; nine charters were granted; a memorial address upon Bro. W. H. Upton was delivered by Bro. John Arthur, a former law partner, an elaborate defense of his erratic views on negro masonry, which we do not care to criticise; fraternal greetings were received from Oregon and Nevada; The Masonic Review was recommended to the support of the brethren; the surplus funds were directed to be invested in interest bearing securities; the library was ordered removed to Tacoma for the present; thanks were extended to the local brethren for their bounteous hospitality; a jewel and apron were presented to the retiring grand master; a standing appropriation of \$500 was made for the expense of future communications, to be turned over to the local committee; the by-laws were amended to retain jurisdiction for six months over a profane who had applied for the degrees and moved away before election; the finance committee was directed to formulate a plan of relief and report next year; and an appropriation of \$300 was made to the absent grand chaplain.

Bro. S. J. Chadwick submitted another excellent report on foreign correspondence, in which he says of Minnesota:

Bro. Owen Morris, grand orator, in a most sensible way discusses masonic duty.

Bro. Irving Todd puts all that is possible in the ninety-two pages he devotes to his correspondence report. * * * Washington is given more than usual attention.

Bro. Chadwick holds that a lodge is not affected by the loss of its charter; that there is less of worth and value to the masonic world in the published proceedings of the Grand Lodge of England than in any American grand lodge; that Roman Catholics are made better citizens by reason of their masonic affiliations, and the world is the gainer; that woman in masonry is a coming force; that the time will come when charity will be dispensed voluntarily; that a lodge which cannot sustain itself without becoming a burden on the fraternity should surrender its charter; that all members of the fraternity are not masons; that a man who has not sufficient ambition to learn to read and write cuts a sorry figure in the work we are engaged upon; and that it is the crowning ambition of ninety per cent of the younger masons to become a shriner.

M. W. R. C. McAllaster, Seattle, Grand Master; R. W. H. W. Tyler, Olympia, reelected Grand Secretary; Bro. S. J. Chadwick, Colfax, committee on correspondence.

WEST VIRGINIA, 1906.

The forty-second annual communication was held at Huntington, Nov. 14th and 15th, M. W. G. W. McClintic, Grand Master. One hundred and twenty-five lodges represented; one hundred and twenty-nine on the roll. Thirteen past grand masters and our representative present.

Four dispensations for new lodges. Membership eleven thousand and six; gain eight hundred and eighty-three. Receipts \$8,837.63.

The portrait is that of the grand master elect.

The address is a short account of official acts, with two minor rulings; a message of sympathy was forwarded to

a past grand master in a hospital at Denver; the grand secretary notes that he does not possess a file of their proceedings, the only record kept; Alberta and Queensland were recognized, and consideration of Valle de Mexico and Brazil postponed; the books and pamphlets stored at Wheeling were ordered placed in the custody of the grand secretary, and the portraits of past grand masters distributed among local lodges until the grand lodge has a permanent home; a sumptuous buffet luncheon was served at The Florentine; a jewel was presented to the retiring grand master; five charters and one dispensation were granted, and two dispensations continued; a resolution was adopted rendering persons engaged in the sale of intoxicating liquors ineligible for initiation or affiliation in any lodge in the jurisdiction, and that any member hereafter engaging in the business shall be considered guilty of a masonic offense; \$5,000 was appropriated from the general fund and \$3,000 annually for a temple fund; and thanks were returned to the local lodge for their courteous treatment and fraternal hospitality.

The grand secretary presented his first report on foreign correspondence, a highly creditable effort. Minnesota has three pages, from which the following extracts are made:

The proceedings are adorned with a portrait of the outgoing grand master, Bro. H. M. Tusler, whose face shows strength of character, and after studying it I seemed to understand his annual address much better.

Our Minnesota brethren, like several other grand lodges, have attempted to improve upon the ancient customs and landmarks in regard to the qualification of candidates, by barring persons engaged in the liquor business, so that the grand master was called upon to decide upon the eligibility of "the son-in-law of one of our oldest members, and one of the finest young men of the city, his business being general auditor of a brewing company." * * * A pretty close shave, wasn't it? Make the comparison in your own mind of the bar-keeper employe, shipping clerk, etc., they do not have votes as officers in the business.

Bro. E. A. Kling, grand orator, delivered the oration, which was pronounced excellent.

Bro. Irving Todd presented the report of the committee on foreign correspondence, which shows studious ability, and contains a review of fifty-six grand lodges, occupying one hundred and fifteen printed pages, West Virginia's portion of the same being unusually limited in quantity, but is a fair statement of the proceedings of 1904.

Now that West Virginia has also adopted the prohibition fad, the trick of splitting hairs will continue all along the line. They have our sympathy.

Bro. Howard is of the opinion that a cipher book wouldn't be of much assistance to an Alabama fellow in learning the work and lectures; that the grand master's prerogative of making masons at sight has high authority for its exercise; and that reports on correspondence, like masonic journals, are not read and considered by our brethren as generally as they should be.

M. . W. . T. G. Strickler, Ellenboro, Grand Master; R. . W. . H. R. Howard, Point Pleasant, reelected Grand Secretary.

WISCONSIN, 1907.

The sixty-third annual communication was held at Milwaukee, June 11th, 12th, and 13th, M. . W. . E. J. Farr, Grand Master. Two hundred and forty-seven lodges represented; two hundred and fifty-four on the roll. Fifteen past grand masters present, including our representative.

Three dispensations for new lodges. Membership twenty-two thousand, nine hundred, and seventy-four; gain eight hundred and fifty-six. Receipts \$12,084.40.

The deaths of Bro. Fred Ring, past grand master, and Bro. Alexander Meggett, past deputy grand master, were announced.

The portraits are of the two deceased brethren.

Three rulings were reported, with a still different interpretation of the prohibition fad:

3. Can a lodge legally receive a petition from a man employed in a brewery? Yes. If the man is not a stockholder in the corporation and receives no other remuneration from the company other than that for his daily labor.

This was amended by the committee on jurisprudence to read as follows:

Yes, if not engaged in selling liquor.

The difference in ritualists is thus referred to in the address:

There has been some criticism of the manner and methods adopted by the grand lecturer by some of the older masons, who had gotten the work from the late Bro. M. L. Youngs. It was indeed hard for them to accept the minor changes, though essential and important, offered by the grand lecturer, but gradually they have acknowledged that Bro. Jacob Dreher had the accredited, pure, and correct work, and like good masons are now cheerfully according Bro. Dreher that meed of praise that is his due.

The work so zealously disseminated by Bro. Youngs for over forty years was always claimed by him to be the real thing, right from the fountain head, but in the opinion of the writer it might be considerably modified to positive advantage.

An official stenographer was deemed necessary to facilitate business; the use of robes and stereopticons was disapproved, as distracting the mind of the novitiate; the Grand Lodge of Queensland was recognized; the committee on Digest and Text Book was continued another year; Bro. J. C. Smith, of Illinois, was welcomed as a visitor, and made an honorary member; three charters were granted; a copy of the report of the committee on obituaries was ordered mailed to the families by the grand secretary, until otherwise directed; the committee on charity recommended appropriations of \$1,750; the death of Bro. Thomas Montgomery, our late grand secretary, was announced by Bro. N. C. Giffin, past grand master, in fitting terms; several portraits were presented, to be hung

in the grand secretary's office; a jewel was voted to the retiring grand master; and fraternal greetings were received from the Grand Lodge of Washington a moment too late.

The following criticisms of Minnesota are found in the admirable report of Bro. Aldro Jenks on foreign correspondence:

He issued a dispensation to a lodge to enable it to continue to hold meetings until the next meeting of the grand lodge, their charter and hall having been destroyed by fire. This we consider as entirely unnecessary. The evidence of the right of the lodge to exist may have been burned up, but this does not destroy the right itself.

The grand master decided that a master mason holding a dimit, but who was engaged in retailing intoxicating liquors, cannot affiliate with a lodge in Minnesota. This is undoubtedly a correct interpretation of their code, as it was affirmed by the grand lodge, but it does not seem to me to be logical. We do not believe in depriving any person of their masonic rights in such a summary manner. If saloon keeping is a masonic offense in Minnesota, then he ought to be tried upon charges regularly preferred, and, if it is not, then he has a right to present a petition for affiliation to any lodge that will receive it.

Why not try the Wisconsin plan of one paid grand lecturer, to remain in that position permanently and give his entire time to the work. That plan works well here.

It was resolved that any lodge might, at its option, issue life membership certificates to such members as shall have paid dues in said lodge for at least twenty-five consecutive years. Such regulations are unwise, and have made trouble in every grand lodge wherever adopted. The correspondence report, published with these proceedings, by Bro. Irving Todd, furnishes an example in Nebraska of the workings of such a regulation.

Bro. Todd gives an excellent summary of the doings of the Grand Lodge of Wisconsin at its 1906 session, couched in his usual courteous vein.

We do not agree with Bro. Jenks in the first paragraph quoted. What is a lodge?

The matter of appointing a grand lecturer has been brought up in our grand lodge several times, without serious consideration. There is something to be said on both sides of the question, but all will agree that the success of the plan depends very largely upon the man chosen for that position.

We are individually opposed to the life membership scheme, although it received the approval of our committee on jurisprudence, for whom we have the highest regard. If generally taken advantage of it will in due course of time have a serious effect upon lodge and grand lodge finances.

Bro. Jenks holds that the Alabama campaign of education seems necessary to teach the minority to submit gracefully to the often expressed will of the majority; that lodges are competent to deal directly with each other, without the intervention of the grand master; that the work of a home is done in Wisconsin through a charity fund, at an annual cost of ten cents per capita; that a member has a right to object to a candidate when the degree is about to be conferred by courtesy for another lodge; that no known evils have resulted from joint occupancy of halls; that a man receiving the degrees in a regularly constituted lodge is a mason, no matter how many rules of masonic law have been violated in so doing; he should have said irregularly made mason, in our opinion; and that there is no higher degree than that of master mason.

M. W. S. M. Marsh, Neillsville, Grand Master; R. W. W. W. Perry, Milwaukee, reëlected Grand Secretary; Bro. Aldro Jenks, Dodgeville, committee on foreign correspondence.

WYOMING, 1907.

The thirty-third annual communication was held at Lander, Sept. 4th, M. W. P. S. Cook, Grand Master. Twenty lodges represented; twenty-four on the roll. Eight past grand masters present.

Membership two thousand, one hundred, and two; gain one hundred and fifty-one. Receipts \$2,878.85.

The death of Bro. N. R. Davis, past grand master, was announced.

The portrait is that of the grand master elect.

Five unimportant rulings were reported; the committee on jewels for past grand masters reported that they had been made at home, for less money; a committee of past grand

masters was recommended, to formulate plans for a masonic home and report next year; one charter was granted; a standing resolution was adopted allowing actual transportation to past grand masters, grand officers, and two lodge representatives at future sessions; the by-law on suspension for non-payment of dues was amended to a majority vote instead of a lodge trial; the resolution of non-intercourse with the defunct Grand Lodge of Ontario was rescinded; the Grand Lodge of Queensland was recognized; an appropriation of \$500 was made to the home fund, with a per capita tax of fifty cents annually; a proposed amendment requiring every newly made master mason to pass an examination before he could hold office or dimit was lost; thanks were returned to the local lodge for their hospitable entertainment, and to the railroads for a reduction in rates; and jewels were presented to eight past grand masters in attendance, the others to be mailed.

The grand secretary prepared his customary report on foreign correspondence, with a courteous review of Minnesota. He is of the impression that the resolutions exempting members from dues after twenty-five years will be found a great mistake, the first question arising being "how many beneficiaries voted therefor?" Of our recent controversy he remarks:

Our brother continues wedded to his idol, the so-called past master's degree, which Wyoming and many other jurisdictions have abolished as an excrescence on the body of craft masonry. Our brother's faith in that useless appendage is certainly sublime.

We are pleased to note that we agree on many points of masonic law, usage, and customs.

That portion of the installation ceremony commonly termed the past grand master's degree is no particular idol of this committee. We are simply opposed on principle to any and all innovations in the ancient usages of the fraternity, no matter how plausible the excuse or how great the alleged improvement.

Bro. Kuykendall holds that when a lodge goes out of its own state to hold burial services it ceases to be a legal lodge the moment it crosses the boundary line; that a dispensation should not be granted for attending divine service; that if an expelled mason is not good enough for restoration to lodge membership, he is not good enough to be running at large as a mason; that the less we mix up with the masonry of the continent of Europe the less will be our grief eventually; and that masonry is not a religion.

M. . W. . F. S. King, Laramie, Grand Master; R. . W. .
W. L. Kuykendall, Saratoga, reëlected Grand Secretary.

Fraternally submitted,

IRVING TODD,

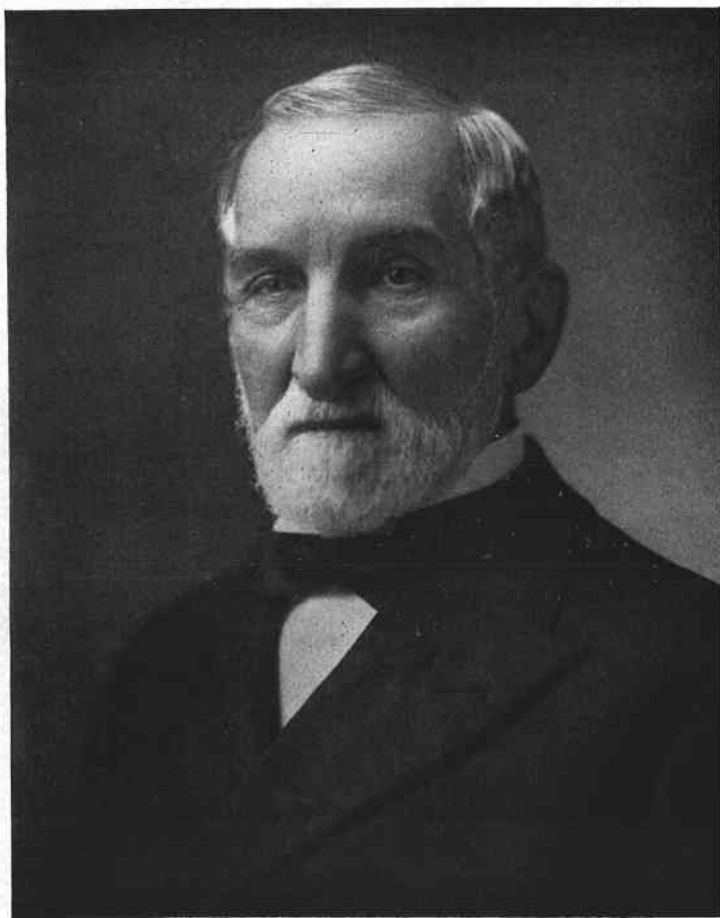
For the Committee.

Hastings, Dec. 27th, 1907.

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ISRAEL BARNARD BALDWIN SPRAGUE

W. Master of Ancient Landmark Lodge No. 5, June, 1889
The First Member to Join the Association after its Organization
Treasurer of this Association since August, 1893

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AT THE
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ST. PAUL, JANUARY 21 and 22, 1908

1908

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OF MINNESOTA

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1908

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BENJAMIN FRANKLIN FARMER, 1902.*
EDWIN PRINCE CAPEN, 1902-1903.

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(Fifty or more years Master Masons.)

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*Deceased.

The Seventeenth Annual Reunion will be held on Wednesday evening, January 20, 1909.

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SIXTEENTH ANNUAL REUNION

FIRST SESSION.

Pursuant to notices mailed to the active members and to resident honorary members, the first session of the Sixteenth Annual Reunion of the Masonic Veteran Association was held on Tuesday evening, Jan. 21, 1908, at Masonic Hall, St. Paul, at 8 o'clock p. m.

Present—Bro. Thomas C. Clark, President;
Bro. William P. Murray, First Vice President;
Bro. John W. Eddy, Second Vice President;
Bro. Israel B. B. Sprague, Treasurer;
Bro. Giles W. Merrill, Secretary,
and about thirty of the brethren.

As per announcement and according to our usual custom, the general business of the Reunion was postponed until the evening of the 22d.

The minutes of the last Annual Session, having been printed, were not read. The minutes of the several meetings of the Board of Directors, held since the Annual Session, were read and approved.

These meetings were held on March 21st, April 26th, June 27th, August 5th, October 24th, December 19th and December 31st.

At these meetings ten brethren were elected to active membership. (See Roster Nos. 632 to 641 inclusive.)

Three brothers, James K. Miller of Sauk Rapids, James Orrin Weld of Mound and Marcus Jacob Katsky of St. Paul, were elected to honorary membership, having been Master Masons more than fifty years.

Petitions for active membership were received from 17 eligible brethren with the usual fees and they were duly elected. (See Roster Nos. 642 to 658 inclusive.)

A bill from Easton & Masterman for printing was ordered paid, amount \$16.50. A bill from Brown, Treacy & Sperry Co. for 1,000 envelopes and printing was ordered paid, amount \$4.25.

A communication was received from Bro. Archie Guthrie regretting his inability to be present, and enclosing a donation of five dollars. The Secretary was instructed to acknowledge receipt of the same with the thanks of the Association.

The Treasurer was instructed to furnish free tickets to the guests of the evening.

The Secretary was instructed to have the likenesses of our Treasurer, Bro. I. B. B. Sprague, and of our late Bro. W. H. S. Wright printed in our proceedings.

A committee consisting of Bros. A. P. Swanstrom, Henry R. Wells and John W. Eddy was appointed to audit the report of the Treasurer and Secretary.

No further business appearing, session adjourned.

Receipts from 17 petitions.....	\$85.00
From 1 petitioner, not quite old enough.....	5.00
From Bro. Guthrie.....	5.00
Total.....	\$95.00

G. W. MERRILL,
Secretary.

SECOND SESSION.

ST. PAUL, Jan. 22, 1908.

Pursuant to adjournment, the second session of the Sixteenth Annual Reunion of the Masonic Veteran Association of Minnesota was held in the "Blue Room" of Masonic Hall at St. Paul, Jan. 22, 1908, at 8:15 o'clock p. m.

Present—Bro. Thomas C. Clark, President;
Bro. William Pitt Murray, First Vice President;
Bro. John Winthrop Eddy, Second Vice President;
Bro. Israel B. B. Sprague, Treasurer;
Bro. Giles W. Merrill, Secretary,
and about 150 of the brethren.

Reading of the minutes of the session of last evening were dispensed with. Petitions from ten brethren were received, accompanied with the regular fees, and they were duly elected. (See Roster Nos. 659 to 668 inclusive.)

SECRETARY'S REPORT.

The Secretary read his annual report as follows:

Sr. PAUL, Dec. 31, 1907.

To the Masonic Veteran Association of Minnesota—Brethren:

I fraternally submit my sixteenth annual report as Secretary, showing membership, receipts, disbursements, etc., for the year 1907.

Active members Jan. 1, 1907.....	489	
Added during the year.....	45	
		534
Died and not heretofore reported.....		12
		523
Active members Dec. 31, 1907.....		523
Number of honorary members Jan. 1, 1907.....	23	
Number added during the year.....	3	
		26
One died during the year.....	1	
		25
Number of honorary members Dec. 31, 1907.....		25
Total membership Dec. 31, 1907.....		547

Finances.

Balance on hand Dec. 31, 1906.....	\$92.17	
Fees from 45 new members at \$5.00.....	225.00	
Fees from 1 applicant, ineligible.....	5.00	
Donation from Bro. A. Z. Levering.....	1.00	
Surplus from banquet.....	4.00	
Appropriation by Grand Lodge.....	100.00	
Cash for two books sold.....	2.00	
Total Resources.....		\$429.17

Disbursements.

Warrants on Treasurer drawn as follows:

1907

Jan. 23. No. 141—To Giles W. Merrill, to pay stenographer	\$5.00
Jan. 23. No. 142—To Easton & Masterman, for printing	19.00

Jan. 23.	No. 143—To Thomas C. Clark, stenographer's service.....	\$5.00
Jan. 23.	No. 144—To Giles W. Merrill, for postage	10.00
Jan. 23.	No. 145—To Giles W. Merrill, return fee to E. H. Sherwin.....	5.00
Mar. 21.	No. 146—To Brown, Treacy & Sperry Co., for envelopes.....	1.25
Mar. 21.	No. 147—To Irons & Russell, for 56 badges	84.00
Mar. 21.	No. 148—To E. H. Koerner, for engrossing certificates	11.10
Mar. 21.	No. 149—To Meyers Engraving Co., for 100 certificates	13.75
Apr. 26.	No. 150—To Pioneer Press Co., for printing	183.51
Apr. 26.	No. 151—To G. W. Merrill, for postage....	5.00
July 6.	No. 152—To E. H. Koerner, for engrossing	1.50
July 6.	No. 153—To Brown, Treacy & Sperry Co., for record books.....	2.85
July 6.	No. 154—To Pioneer Press Co., binding pamphlets	20.00
Dec. 20.	No. 155—To G. W. Merrill, for postage....	5.00
Dec. 20.	No. 156—To Wm. C. Allen, for advertisement	5.00
		\$376.96

Balance on hand Dec. 31, 1907..... \$52.21

By instruction of the Association, I had twenty-five sets of proceedings bound at a cost of \$20, and as instructed sent one copy to the President of the Association, one copy to Grand Lodge Library, one copy to State Historical Society and one copy each to Masonic libraries at Minneapolis and Duluth. I have sold a total of two copies for cash.

Fraternally submitted,

GILES W. MERRILL,

Secretary.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

The Treasurer read his annual report, which showed:

Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1907.....	\$92.17
Received during the year.....	337.00
Total	\$429.17
Disbursements (Warrants Nos. 141 to 156 inclusive).....	376.96
Cash on hand Dec. 31, 1907.....	\$52.21

These reports were referred to the Auditing Committee appointed last evening, who reported the same examined and approved.

The newly elected members were then grouped about the altar, and were formally welcomed to membership by P. G. Master G. S. Ives, ably supported by Past Grand Master Countryman as cup bearer, with the ceremony of the Loving Cup.

ADDRESS OF WELCOME

BY

VENERABLE BROTHER P. G. M. GIDEON S. IVES.

My Brothers:

You now stand before our ancient, venerable and time-worn altar, as just and upright *candidates*, seeking such further light in Masonry as these ancient patriarchs, who surround you, may be able to shed upon your pathway.

Preliminary however to the more important, or *substantial*, ceremonies of your initiation into our venerable Association, and for the purpose of preparing your minds for the greater treasures which lie beyond, you are now entitled to receive—and, if possible, assimilate—what is termed in the symbolical language of our ritual an "*Address of Welcome*."

This important duty has been entrusted to me by our most worthy and very Venerable President, who now presides with such grace and dignity, in the oriental chair of his predecessors, in the East; and where, we confidently hope, you may have the pleasure of seeing him *universally* displayed at all future meetings of this Association.

In your previous experiences in Masonry, you have, no doubt, listened to many preliminary addresses; some containing a warning, an admonition or a demand, others, a caution, a request, an assurance, and possibly a *reprimand*. But the duty which I am called upon to perform is much more simple and agreeable; and now, in behalf of my venerable associates, and in the language of an ancient craftsman,—who, we are informed, afterwards came to grief—I am happy to solemnly declare to you: "*We are glad to meet you.*" *We have long sought this opportunity* of extending the glad hand of fellowship, and of cordially welcoming you to membership in our society of veterans. Your long and faithful service,—some of you having been active members of our great fraternity for more than a quarter of a century—and the specimens of your work in the cause of Masonry, which you have presented to the craft from time to time, have met with our approbation, and have pointed you out as worthy objects of our esteem and regard. By reason, therefore, of these essential qualifications, *and the payment of the required fee*, you are now entitled to be hailed as "*Venerable Brothers*" in this great organization.

This mark of distinction must be highly pleasing to you, and doubtless confirms you in the belief that you are now full-fledged patriarchs, qualified to travel in foreign parts, and entitled to receive the wages of a veteran. Nay, more, I am authorized by our Venerable President,—universally displayed as I have said before—to give to you further assurance by plucking off my shoe and offering it to you in accordance with an ancient custom; but owing to the inclemency of the weather, and the difficulty these hard times in obtaining another, this part of the ceremony will be omitted.

My brothers, if, with all these assurances, you are satisfied on this point; it now becomes my pleasant duty to inform you that, however natural this supposition may be to you, *it is erroneous*—you have not yet survived all the tests that make up the experiences of a veteran of this Association. One of these ordeals—which, however, may not be deemed very distasteful to some, whom I recognize before me—will be the giving of your solemn pledge in this beautiful and judiciously filled loving cup, that you will faithfully and earnestly join with us in promoting and upbuilding the cause of Masonry in this jurisdiction, and in the cultivation and advancement of the true spirit of brotherhood that so firmly binds together the members of this great fraternity.

For some unknown reason, concealed within the venerable brain of our worthy President (probably due to my inexperience in such matters), he has not deemed it prudent to entrust me with the vessel containing this precious fluid, but, much to the surprise and consternation of the brethren present, has placed it in charge of our venerable and experienced Brother Countryman, who will now present its contents for your approval. “After which,” agreeably to an ancient custom among the veterans, you will be conducted to an upper room, prepared for the purpose, where you will be required to participate in the solemn ceremonies of smoking the ancient and venerable cob-pipe of peace; and, in the atmosphere thus exhaled, to listen with credulity and patience to the strictly original and extemporaneous remarks of certain ancient fossils, hitherto selected by our Venerable President—there as here displayed—to prepare and deliver the same.

It becomes my solemn duty to warn you that here, *all your fortitude will be required*, and to as solemnly assure you in my capacity of Chief Welcomer of this occasion that, having once passed through this severe ordeal, no doubt can then remain as to your fitness to be classed among the veterans of this Association, and you will accordingly be entitled to a harp, in order that you may hereafter contribute your part to the music of the patriarchs.

A PRESENTATION.

An episode, not mentioned on the program, occurred right here. Bro. William H. Harries stepped to the front, introducing his subject by saying that many of the members had felt a strong desire to show their appreciation of the earnest and faithful and long-continued services of our Veteran President, Bro. Thomas C. Clark, by presenting at this time a slight testimonial of their brotherly love and respect. To this end they had procured a silver pitcher, engraved with an appropriate inscription, which he then presented in a short speech of appropriate and well-chosen words:

Venerable Brother Thomas C. Clark:

The members of the Masonic Veteran Association have for years noticed your fraternal zeal and enterprise, in promoting the welfare of this Association, and rescuing from oblivion the early history of many of the Blue Lodges of this state. It is largely through your enterprise and perseverance that the history of the first twenty Lodges, with a few exceptions, has been obtained and preserved, so that the brothers in the future may know what the pioneers, who came to this territory and state in its infancy, passed through, and left what may be used as enlightenment for our future brothers. Knowing all this, your brothers of this Association have determined to present to you a testimonial, as a slight token of their esteem and brotherly love, and they have commissioned me to present to you this solid silver pitcher.

The pitcher was used in ancient times for various purposes. When Abraham was old and well stricken in age, he sent his servant into Mesopotamia to obtain a wife for his son, and when the servant stood by the well of water, where the daughters came to fill their pitchers, behold! Rebecca came, and he decided that if she let down her pitcher and gave him drink, that that should be the maiden who should be taken as a wife for his master's son; and she not only gave him drink, but also drew water for the camels, and this was taken and accepted as a sign that he had found the right maiden.

It is also written that the Gideonites, to the number of three companies, put a trumpet in every man's hand, with an empty pitcher, and lamps within the pitchers, and the beginning of the middle watch, they blew the trumpets and brake the pitchers that were in their hands, and when they did so the Midianites fled before them.

This pitcher cannot be broken, as illustrated by the dissolution of this earthly tabernacle when the Book says, "Or ever the silver chord be loosened, or the golden bowl be broken, or the pitcher be broken at the fountain."

And when Christ determined to prepare for the passover, he sent for two of his disciples, and said unto them, "go ye into the city, and there shall ye meet a man bearing a pitcher of water, follow him

and wheresoever he shall go in, say ye to the good man of the house, here shall I eat the passover, and he shall show you a large room, furnished and prepared."

It is hoped that you will live many years and drink from this pitcher that which will satisfy your longing.

Ever since the organization of this government, eminent men have deemed it not derogatory to their positions, or their life work, to belong to the Masonic Fraternity, and to take part in its deliberations. Washington, Lafayette, Paul Revere and many others of the Revolutionary period were Veteran Masons, with a love for liberty and humanity; they have left upon the pages of history an undying fame.

We mingle together here as Veterans of an ancient and honorable Association; we cannot forget our initial apprentice career in this organization. And when you drink from this pitcher, may it be with remembrance that,

"Here's to our boyhood, its gold and its gray,
The frosts of its morning, the dews of its May,
And when we have ended, all earthly joys,
Then, Dear Father, take care of the boys."

Accept this pitcher from the brothers of this Association, with their best wishes for your health and prosperity as President of this Association.

PRESIDENT CLARK'S RESPONSE.

Venerable Brethren:

I am deeply touched by this evidence of your appreciation of what I have endeavored to do for this Association.

I feel, now as always, that, both in point of years and Masonic service, I am out of place in this chair, so honored and magnified by the illustrious services of our first President, in that there are so many, more worthy to occupy it and more competent to fill it.

I have not the time, the ability nor the Masonic erudition, to illuminate the pages of our proceedings with the gems of Masonic lore and tradition which characterize the first ten years of our existence; but with such ability as I have, my endeavor has been to keep up the interest and promote the welfare of what I believe to be the best and most enthusiastic Veteran Association in this country.

In this I have been ably seconded by my brother officers and many zealous members of the Association, and I am under special obligations to the Past Grand Masters for the deep interest they take in the Association.

If I do not fittingly acknowledge your beautiful testimonial, my Venerable Brethren, I assure you that it is not from any lack of

appreciation of your gift, but rather my inability to express in proper words, the sentiments which it arouses in my breast.

Its symbolism, as so beautifully set forth by Bro. Harries, is indeed unique, and its beautiful form and intrinsic value commend it to the eye; but the sentiments which led you to present it to me, give it a value not to be measured in coin, and which will cause me to cherish it as the most valued of my possessions, embodying and crystallizing the affection and esteem of a body of men and Masons, over which any man might deem it a great honor to preside.

President Clark then read his annual address.

PRESIDENT'S ANNUAL ADDRESS.

Venerable Brethren:

Again we are gathered in a business and social session, after a year of many mercies.

So far as has been reported, only eleven of our Venerable Brothers have fallen by the wayside since our last meeting, compared with twenty-one, for the year 1906.

This number may be added to later, as is usually the case, but these are all reported up to date. Though the number has been comparatively small, the vintage is choice, including two of our honorary members, Alvah Andrew Crampton and Ludolph August Fullgraff, both made Masons in 1853, and two of our active members, whose very names suggest the irreparable loss, not only to this Association, but to the body of Masonry, viz.: William Henry Sterling Wright, one of the founders of this Association, and Thomas Montgomery, for many years Grand Secretary of Masons for Minnesota, and standing No. 40 on our list of membership.

Death is no respecter of persons. The "Grim Reaper" takes not only the cultured founder of our Association, but also the genial and lovable Wright, the faithful and useful Montgomery, the less prominent, but no less valued members of our Association, and garners them one by one into the haven of the Grand Lodge above.

I do not know how this yearly recurring list of the honored dead appeals to you; to me, who from a professional standpoint have to deal not only with the choice spirits of earth, but with the flotsam and jetsam of society, this yearly review of the lives and services of men who have been accounted worthy to not only enter the portals of our Order, but also to have served long and honorably therein, this is not a sad occasion. Rather I feel that it is a privilege not only to record their virtues, but to give my testimony, and, in so far as I am able, to pay my feeble tribute to those who have played their parts worthily, who have borne the heat and burden of the day manfully, and who lay

down their burdens like one who lays him down to pleasant dreams. Some may deem this ever recurring record of lives whose tablets are eleven, a dismal thing, but why so? Death is inevitable. It is not important how *long* we live, but how *well* we live, and what a glorious record such an Association as ours can show.

I venture to say that the record of the lives and actions of our members will reveal the fact, that ninety-nine per cent have been men that the world has been better off, in that they have lived. Within their sphere of action they have lived their lives not only manfully but Masonically, thereby exemplifying the principles of the Grand Architect of the Universe in the building of their spiritual edifices. This of the past. What of the present and future of our Association?

As to the present—Again, as in 1905, I quote from the farewell address of President Metcalf in 1902:

"Eight years ago I ventured to predict, in the face of many a doubter, that our Annual Reunions would grow to be the leading social feature in Grand Lodge week, and now, at the completion of the first decade of our existence, with this prophecy fulfilled, I will hazard another prediction that should this Association continue to live for the best interests of the Grand Lodge; to store up in its archives as well as to publish in its proceedings the facts of Masonic history, and the acts of the fathers of Minnesota Masonry, and above all to avoid degenerating into an annual feasting organization for the sole and momentary gratification of its members, the time will come that the election to preside over the Masonic Veterans of Minnesota will be regarded as only secondary in point of importance and honor to being chosen Grand Master of Minnesota Masons."

Has this prediction not been fulfilled? Let this audience to-night answer the question. Without solicitation almost, you have seen the names presented during the year and to-night for membership.

Zealous members of the Association, and kind friends and brothers, not yet eligible for membership, have vied with one another in presenting petitions for membership, to such an extent that our present accommodations are almost inadequate for our present membership, and the field of eligible members, has hardly been scratched. Now at the close of my fourth year as your President, let me make a prediction for the future.

Again permit me to quote from President Metcalf's farewell address:

"If in the future, the main work of the Association is to advance the interests of the Grand Lodge, through its deliberations, purpose to further historical investigations, and to preserve to future generations precious material that would have been certainly and otherwise forgotten and lost, and in making the Annual Feasts and Reunions,

which are the *main* features of all other associations, *secondary* in ours to the historical factor," then our future is secure.

Therefore I predict, that in the near future membership in this Association will be eagerly sought, our number become so great, and the value as an adjunct to the work of the Grand Lodge so apparent, that an evening will be devoted to an open meeting of this Association, that suitable quarters may be provided, and an opportunity afforded, that all who wish may attend our business session and enjoy the historical feast therein presented. To that end I would suggest that the evening previous to the opening of the Grand Lodge, be selected for the Annual Feast and Reunion of our Association, the General Session to be open to any brother who desires to come, the Feast to be confined to members and invited guests.

However, I would suggest, that all Past Grand Masters, who are not eligible for membership, be considered as guests of the Association at our Annual Feast.

In conclusion allow me to remind you of the historical value of our proceedings, and to advise you to file them away carefully for future reference; also to again ask your hearty coöperation in reporting the deaths of members to the Secretary and forwarding to him any data available for a suitable recognition in our proceedings.

I wish to express my appreciation of the faithful services of our Secretary, Venerable Brother Giles W. Merrill, who has so carefully conducted the affairs of that office, and whose accuracy adds great value to our records, also to Venerable Brother Sprague, our Treasurer, and Burningham, the caterer for the wants of the inner man, for their valuable assistance.

NECROLOGY

As usual this report covers part of three years, including notices of deaths in 1906 unreported at our last meeting, numbering four; those reported in 1907, to the number of seven, and two which have already occurred in 1908, previous to this meeting. Besides these, I have the reports of two deaths occurring in 1907, but without any data for an appropriate notice, and they will be included in next year's proceedings.

CHARLES C. WHITMAN.

An active member, died in Elmwood, Mass., Jan. 21, 1906.

Born in East Bridgewater, Mass., July 4, 1839; he was educated in the public schools. Enlisting in Co. "C," 29th Massachusetts Volunteers, May 18, 1861, his regiment participated in many of the great

battles of the Civil War besides innumerable skirmishes, including the battle of Gaines Mills, Savage Station, the "Seven Days" fight in front of Richmond, 2d Bull Run, Antietam, Fredricksburg, Vicksburg, Knoxville, Wilderness and Spottsylvania Court House, in all of which he bore an honorable part, and was mustered out Aug. 15, 1864.

He was an honored member of Acker Post G. A. R.

Coming to St. Paul in 1872, he soon became identified with the Peoples Ice Company as an employee and later as a stockholder, and so continued until his return to his native town in 1902.

Raised in Fellowship Lodge, Bridgewater, Mass., in 1866, at the time of his death he was an honorary member of the same; also a member of Minnesota Chapter No. 1, R. A. M., St. Paul.

GEORGE W. BALLARD.

An active member, died in Dodge Center March 8, 1906.

He was a native of Illinois, but his boyhood was spent in New York. At the age of twenty-one he came West, locating at Waupun, Wis., where he married Paulina J. Hazen, who, with six children, survives him. In 1869 he removed to Minnesota, and resided at Dodge Center until his death.

Raised in Relief Lodge No. 108, in 1873, he served as Master for several years. A member of Tabernacle Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, he had held the office of King.

He was a man of most sympathetic and kindly nature, always ready to contribute to the relief of a poor, distressed brother, and his death leaves a void in social, domestic and fraternal circles. He was buried with Masonic services, and rests in Riverside Cemetery.

JOHN HUTTON.

An active member, died at Windom, Minn., July 11, 1906.

Our brother was born in Scotland in 1833. Owing to the lapse of time since his death, the absence of his family in California, and the dearth of information in his application, no particulars of his life can be given.

He was raised in Ogdensburg Lodge No. 128, Ogdensburg, N. Y., Jan. 15, 1872, dimitting from that Lodge in 1876, he became a member of Prudence Lodge No. 97, of which he served as Worshipful Master; of Windom Chapter No. 48, and Luverne Commandery Knights-Templar.

HARRISON J. RANNEY.

Was born in Ashfield, Mass., March 4, 1824, and died at St. Cloud, Minn., Sept. 25, 1906. Born and raised on a farm, he followed farm-

ing until twenty-five years of age. Removing to Arkansas, he engaged in business for four years, and later, for several years, engaged in farming and business in Michigan. Coming to Minnesota in 1867, he settled on a farm about a mile from Clearwater, but worked for a while in the store of Samuel Whiting. Ten or twelve years before his death he retired from active labor and made his home with his son Fred. He is spoken of by those who knew him as a kind and lovable character, and endeared himself to all with whom he came in contact. He was married in 1856 to Miss Helen McConnell of Penn Yan, N. Y., who died in 1891. Two sons and one daughter survive to mourn his loss.

Bro. Ranney was brought to Masonic light in Fidelity Lodge No. 32, Hillsdale, Mich., on Nov. 10, 1857. He served as Junior Warden and Treasurer of Fidelity Lodge, and as Secretary of Clearwater Lodge No. 28, of which he was a member at the time of his death.

JOHN F. HUMISTON.

An active member, was born in Charleston, Ohio, March 12, 1839.

His parents moved to Chester, Ohio, where he lived until the breaking out of the war. He enlisted in the 7th Ohio Regimental band, afterwards enlisting in the 105th Ohio Infantry, becoming sergeant of Co. E, and was mustered out with the regiment. He came to Minnesota in 1872, and engaged in the hardware trade at Worthington and afterwards at Heron Lake, where he died April 12, 1907. In 1870 he married Sarah Ecker of West Salem, Ohio, she dying in 1886; in 1887 he married Susan Ecker; in 1902 his second wife dying, he afterwards married Mrs. Sarah Dickens, who survives him, together with two sons and four daughters.

He was a member of the A. O. U. W., I. O. O. F., G. A. R. and K. P. He was a consistent member of the Methodist Episcopal Church since 1871, and a trustee since 1902.

It is said of him, that not one questionable act can be charged against him; in every walk of life he was absolutely honest. In local affairs he was public-spirited, always willing to do his full share, and to do it cheerfully.

He was made a Mason in West Salem Lodge (Ohio) No. 398, April 22, 1867, and at the time of his death was a member of Columbian Lodge No. 210, Heron Lake, Minn. He was a member of Royal Arch Chapter No. 28 at Worthington, Minn.

JAMES M. J. SANNO.

An active member, died May 4, 1907.

A native of New Jersey, he was born Dec. 10, 1840, and educated in the public schools of that state. In 1857 he served as assistant to

Engrossing Clerk N. J. Senate, and in 1858 as Assistant Sergeant of Arms of the same body. Graduating from the U. S. Military Academy at West Point June 11, 1863, he, on the same day, was appointed Second Lieutenant of the 7th U. S. Infantry, and joined his regiment in the Army of the Potomac. For forty-four years he served his country faithfully, attaining the rank, I believe, of Brigadier General.

He was made a Mason in Mansfield Lodge No. 36, Washington, N. J., March 3, 1864; was a member of Leavenworth Chapter No. 2, Leavenworth, Kan., and of Western Consistory No. 2, A. A. S. R., at Kansas City, Mo. He had served as Venerable Master Army Lodge of Perfection No. 1, A. A. S. R., Leavenworth, Kan.

His religious affiliation was Episcopalian. He was a life member of Military Service Institution U. S. since 1878, also assistant secretary and editor of its publications 1880-81.

THOMAS SCOTT.

An active member, died in St. Paul, May 26, 1907.

A native of Canada, he came to the States at an early age. He was in the South at the breaking out of the Civil War, and was held a prisoner for a time, but was released when it was found that he was a British subject. Came to St. Paul in 1871, and engaged in the carriage business for many years.

He was always known as a man of upright life and strict integrity. He was a man of genial disposition and highly respected. After a lingering sickness he fell asleep, leaving a record to be emulated.

Raised in Michigan Lodge No. 111, Allegan, Mich., Aug. 9, 1865; he joined Ancient Landmark Lodge in his adopted home of which he continued to be an honored and faithful member.

THOMAS MONTGOMERY.

An active member, entered into rest June 7, 1907, at St. Luke's Hospital, after a short illness.

Born in Ireland June 4, 1841, of Scotch-Irish parentage, which has given so many sturdy citizens to this Republic; at the age of four he came to this country with his parents and settled in Canada. Ten years subsequently his family removed to Le Sueur County, Minn., and engaged in farming. Aug. 19, 1862, at the age of twenty-one, young Montgomery enlisted as a private in the 7th Minnesota Volunteer Infantry, and rose through the several grades of Second and First Lieutenant and Captain, serving in the 67th and 65th U. S. Colored Infantry, and was finally mustered out Jan. 22, 1867, receiving the commission of Brevet Major from President Lincoln, for faithful and

meritorious service, dating from March 13, 1865. In 1883, he organized A. K. Skaro Post No. 37, G. A. R., at St. Peter, and was its Commander for eight years.

The details of Brother Montgomery's career have been given in the Grand Master's address this morning, so that many of them will be omitted in this sketch of his life as a Veteran. In reviewing that career, how truly it may be said that, when he died, "he entered into rest."

In civil life, he had been a justice of the peace for twelve years at St. Peter; a member of the Board of Education for eighteen years, serving as president, clerk and treasurer; treasurer of Nicollet County Bible Society eighteen years. He served two terms as alderman of the City of St. Paul.

The son of a clergyman of the Methodist Episcopal Church, he had been actively identified with that church since maturity as trustee, steward, Sunday-school superintendent and lay delegate, at St. Peter, and at the time of his death was president of the board of trustees of Hamline M. E. church.

Raised to the Master's degree on Sept. 7, 1865, in Concord Lodge No. 47 at Cleveland, Minn., he acquired the succeeding degrees in the higher orders, attaining the 32° A. A. S. R. in Delta Lodge of Perfection No. 5. He had passed the chairs in the Blue Lodge, Chapter and Comandery, been Grand High Priest and Grand Commander Knights Templar of the state and Deputy Inspector General A. A. S. R.; was also member of Osman Temple, Mystic Shrine. He was best known, however, throughout the Masonic world, through his work as Grand Secretary and Grand Recorder of the Grand Lodge, Grand Chapter, Grand Council and Grand Commandery of Minnesota. For nearly eighteen years, he had served these bodies in that capacity, with an interim of two years in the Grand Commandery, and his name and Masonic acquirements were known in every Masonic jurisdiction in the world. Faithful, conscientious, prudent and painstaking, he applied himself to every task, whether in civil, religious or fraternal life, with that unremitting industry and close application to detail which, without doubt, shortened his life.

On Jan. 10, 1893, at the second meeting after the organization was perfected, Brother Montgomery was elected a member of this Association, his number being 40 on the roll. He was always a regular attendant upon our meetings, in so far as the duties of his office as Grand Secretary would permit, and contributed two interesting papers, viz., "Early Masonry in Minnesota," and "History of Defunct Lodges of Minnesota," to our proceedings. He was always ready with assistance and advice in furthering the objects of our Association.

He was buried with Masonic honors under the auspices of the Grand Lodge on June 10, 1907. All the Grand Bodies of Minnesota

were represented, and there were delegates from the Blue Lodges of Duluth, St. Peter, Mankato and other cities, while Montgomery Lodge, named for him, attended in a body. The honorary pall-bearers were all Past Grand Masters.

LUDOLPH AUGUST FULLGRAFF.

An honorary member, under the provisions of the fifty-year clause of our Constitution, died in St. Paul Aug. 31, 1907.

A native of Prussia, he was born March 1, 1832. Of the details of his life but little is known. Evidently he was a citizen of New York, for he was made a Master Mason in Polar Star Lodge No. 245, New York City, Aug. 24, 1853, and at the time of his death was an honorary member of Stella Lodge No. 485, Brooklyn, N. Y. He had served as school trustee in New York City, so that we know that he was a man of intelligence and some prominence. In his later years he was an invalid, and upon joining our Association in 1902, requested Stella Lodge to ask Ancient Landmark Lodge of St. Paul to look after his welfare in case he needed assistance. This they did, and during his last illness, Venerable Brother W. S. Combs, at the request of the Secretary of Stella Lodge, supplied Brother Fullgraff with flowers; the brethren visited him, and Ancient Landmark Lodge buried him with Masonic honors. As stated by his daughter, "The Masons were more than kind during father's illness."

He was highly respected by all who knew him. While a resident of St. Paul, and when his health would permit, he was always a regular attendant upon Lodge. His remains were taken to New York by his daughter, and interred in Woodlawn Cemetery.

JAMES A. SCOTT.

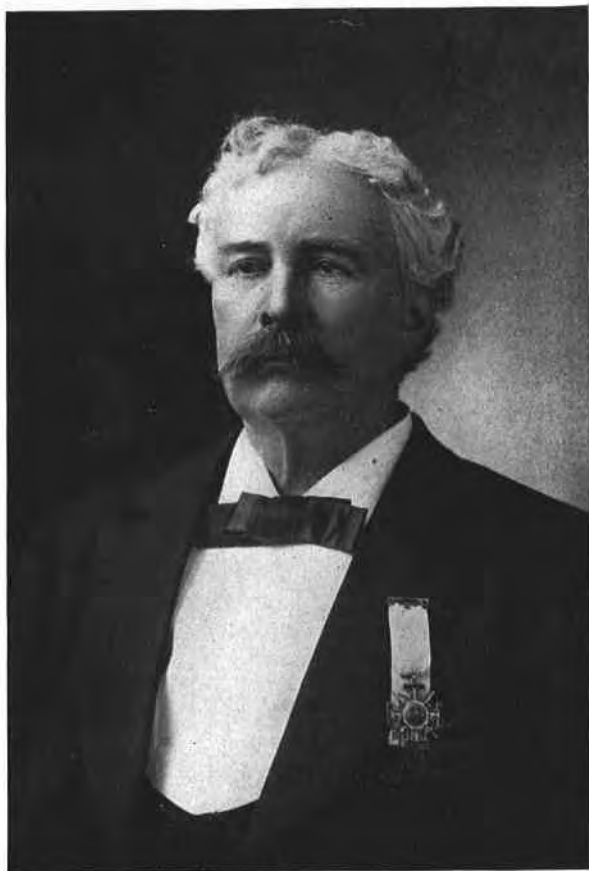
An active member, died at Kentwood, La., Oct. 20, 1907.

Nothing is known of our brother's early history, and the files of the Association contain but meager particulars. A native of New York, and by occupation a timber inspector, he was raised in Orion Lodge No. 46, Orion, Mich., in 1863. He was a member of Palastine Lodge No. 79, Duluth; of Diamond City Chapter No. 65; Royal Arch Masons of West Superior, Wis., and of Duluth Council No. 6, R. & S. M., Duluth. His application states that he had held the position of Worshipful Master, but the Lodge not stated.

At his apartments in the Angus, after a brief illness,

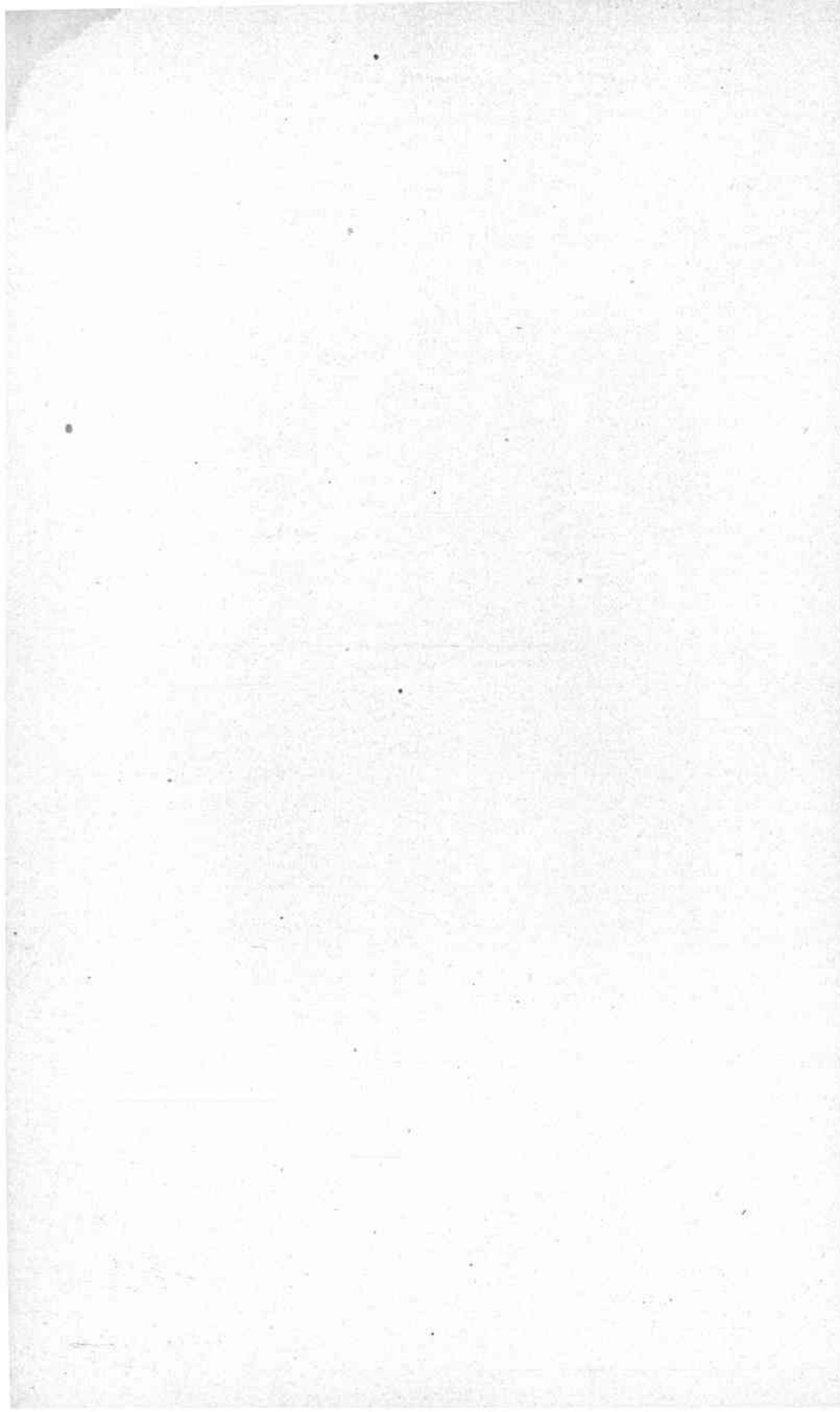
WILLIAM HENRY STERLING WRIGHT,

signer of the call and one of the founders of this Association, closed his kindly eyes on all things earthly, at noon Nov. 28, 1907. Brother



WILLIAM HENRY STERLING WRIGHT

One of the Founders of the Masonic Veteran Association of Minnesota
Venerable Master of Carmel Lodge of Perfection, 1887-1907
M. E. Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Minnesota, June, 1894



Wright had been in poor health for several months, but the end came suddenly from pneumonia, and a bereaved family and thousands of warm friends mourn the loss of one of the noblest of men. W. H. S. Wright carried his certificate of character in his face. No one could feel the clasp of that warm hand, look into the steadfast eyes and listen to the kindly voice, and not feel that he was in the presence of a great-souled, generous and lovable character. Few men stood higher in the esteem of the members of the Fraternity in which he had attained such high eminence, and upon which he had conferred so much honor, by the purity and uprightness of his life, as well as by his Masonic acquirements. Fewer still, have so enshrined themselves in the hearts of those who knew him, only to love him.

Bro. Wright was born in Dublin, Ireland, Oct. 21, 1842, and came to this country at the age of three, making his home at Milwaukee for a number of years, subsequently removing to Hudson, Wis., where he entered the employ of the Wisconsin Central R. R. as paymaster. He was purchasing agent for the Omaha Railroad for twenty years, and for the last ten years of his life was agent for the Illinois Steel Company. Twenty-five years ago, he became a resident of St. Paul, and was one of its best known and best loved citizens.

In Wisconsin Lodge No. 13 of Milwaukee, he was raised on May 5, 1870, affiliating in St. Paul with Summit Lodge No. 163. He was a member of St. Croix Chapter, R. A. M.; St. Croix Council, R. & S. M.; St. Croix Commandery, Knights Templar, all of Hudson, Wis., subsequently affiliating with Paladin No. 21, St. Paul; also a member of Minnesota Consistory, A. A. S. R., and Osman Temple, Mystic Shrine. He was Inspector General Honorary of the Supreme Council 33°, A. A. S. R.. He had served as Senior Warden, St. Croix Lodge; High Priest, St. Croix Chapter; Master, St. Croix Council; Eminent Commander, St. Croix and Paladin Commanderies; Master, Carmel Lodge of Perfection; Grand Commander, Knights Templar of Minnesota, and was the first Potentate of Osman Temple. In all these positions he exemplified in a striking manner that winning personality which so drew men to him, and the several organizations flourished under his administration. As one of the founders of this Association, it always had his warmest sympathy and assistance.

At 3 p. m. Sunday, December 1st, Summit Lodge, escorted by Paladin Commandery, conveyed his remains to the Masonic Temple, where they lay in state from 3:30 to 5:30 p. m., that Masons and friends might take a last look at their departed friend. At midnight, the funeral rites of the Knights of Kadosh were impressively rendered before an audience of Masons, which taxed the capacity of the Temple, and at 2 p. m. on Monday, December 2d, all that was mortal of William Henry Sterling Wright was tenderly laid away in Oakland Cemetery, where the burial service was read by Rev. Theodore Sedgwick.

ALVAH ANDREW CRAMPTON.

An honorary member, born in St. Lawrence County, New York, April 5, 1828, and died in Mantorville, Minn., Jan. 5, 1908.

He was educated in the public schools of New York, and then studied surveying. In 1850, upon receiving the appointment of Deputy U. S. Surveyor, he came to Minnesota, and was employed in the Government Survey for several years. While in this service, he surveyed the township lines of the western tier of townships in Dodge County, and the eastern tier of townships in what is now Steele County, probably antedating any white man in this vicinity. In 1856, he preempted a claim in Section 34, Milton township, where he made his home until 1893, when he removed to Mantorville, where he resided until his death.

From 1860 to 1863, he tried his fortune at mining in Colorado, Washington, Oregon and Nevada, but returned to his farm in the latter year. In 1866 he married Miss Emma Sykes of Appleton, Wis., who, with two sons and one daughter, survives him. He served as county surveyor of Dodge County for six years, and in 1890 was again appointed Deputy U. S. Surveyor, and served two years.

He was brought to Masonic light in St. Marks Lodge No. 63, Woodstock, Ill., April 10, 1855. He was a charter member of Mantorville Lodge No. 11, and of Tabernacle Chapter No. 18, R. A. M., Kasson, Minn., and had filled the office of King in the latter. He joined this Association in 1899.

This sturdy pioneer was one of the type and class of men fast passing away, who laid the foundations of our noble state, and who, by his modest and upright life and noble qualities, endeared himself to all who knew him.

GEORGE BENZ.

An active member, died in Chicago Jan. 11, 1908.

A native of Germany, he was educated in the common schools of that country, and pursued his studies with the view of following the profession of teaching. At the age of sixteen, however, he gave up that idea and came to this country, engaging in various pursuits, in Chicago, for a period of two years. In 1856, he again migrated westward, coming to St. Paul, where he made his home. In 1865, he founded the wholesale business with which his name has ever since been connected, and which has always stood for square dealing. Notwithstanding the demands of his private business, he was always active in any movement for the welfare of his adopted city. He served three terms in the Legislature, and for a number of years was a member of the Board of Education. He contributed liberally to public enterprises

and to charity. He had been honored with the office of Grand President of the Sons of Herman. He traveled extensively for rest and recreation. He was honored and respected for his many manly qualities, not only by his countrymen, but by all who knew him.

He was brought to Masonic light in Ancient Landmark Lodge Dec. 7, 1878, and, though not active in the work of the Lodge, was a faithful and honored member.

The immediate cause of his death was pneumonia, following a surgical operation. In his death St. Paul lost one of its early and valued pioneers.

A history of Mantorville Lodge No. 11, by Bro. Geo. H. Slocum, Secretary of that Lodge, was presented and ordered to be printed in the proceedings.

HISTORICAL SKETCH OF MANTORVILLE LODGE NO 11, A. F. & A. M.

By request of Bro. Thomas Chalmers Clark of Stillwater, President of the Minnesota Masonic Veteran Association, and my own Lodge, this literary gem was launched as another contribution, not for your entertainment, but as a help in teaching you to cultivate one of the essential virtues, "Patience," and a repose of manner while it is being read to you by the Secretary of the Association. Unlike several of the brethren, who have complied with a like request from Bro. Clark on former occasions, I shall not preface my remarks by stating that I feel a lack of ability to do justice to the subject, but go ahead and do the best I can, trusting to the charity of the brethren to overlook where we fall down on style, or run short on facts.

Such facts as we have been able to gather from the imperfect records of this Lodge and the memories of the few ancient brethren who are still with us, we are glad to contribute. That some of our statements will be criticised we expect, and that they should be we admit.

This Lodge is the oldest association in the county (Masonic or otherwise), a dispensation having been granted July 4, 1856, to the few Masons then resident in the county. The petitioners for the dispensation to do Masonic work were: Frank Mantor of West Crawford Lodge No. 258, Pennsylvania; Riley Mantor from the same Lodge; Alonzo J. Edgerton, Mount Pulaski No. 87, Illinois; C. T. McNamara, Crawford No. 234, Pennsylvania; Wm. Standard and Alvah Andrew Crampton, St. Marks (Illinois) No. 187; H. P. Whallon, Summit (N. Y.) No. 219; Henry Myers, Evergreen No. 197, Illinois; Jacob Closner, Rudolph Schmidt and Robert Schmidt, Smith Lodge No. 31, Wisconsin; James M. Ryder, La Pier Lodge No. 54, Michigan, and

C. Cotton, Lodge not given. But one of these brothers is now a resident within the jurisdiction of this Lodge, and all but two have been "called from labor to refreshment," and have joined that "innumerable caravan" to the Celestial Lodge on High. Brothers Alvah Crampton and Riley Mantor are still with us in the flesh, the only links left in that early forged Masonic chain, which, down through the past fifty years, has bound together in ties unbreakable more than 245 brethren who have been raised to the Sublime Degree of a Master Mason in No. 11.

The first candidate for the degrees under the dispensation was D. P. Dow. The communication was held on the eve of Dec. 23, 1856, at the home of Frank Mantor, who had been named in the warrant as Worshipful Master; Jno. B. Hubbell, Senior Warden; Jas. M. Ryder, Junior Warden. The house was small, being 16' x 24'; the working tools were primitive, being made of tin by Bro. Henry Myers; the gavel and Junior Warden's column cut from native wood by J. M. Ryder; The Bible and other necessary paraphernalia being furnished by the W. M.; the altar by his brother Riley Mantor; no ante-room was available for the Tyler, so he stood outside the door, with the mercury way down near "*Cairo*," where he put in his time not in keeping off "cowans and eavesdroppers," but in keeping himself from freezing to death by running around the building. The Worshipful Master's wife had been decoyed to one of the neighbors for the evening, so her bedroom could be used to prepare the candidate in. On December 25th, Christmas night, the Lodge again assembled and three more petitions were received, and in due season the petitioners admitted to membership.

The Odd Fellows had commenced to build a hall on Main Street; but their number being too few to successfully carry out their plans, the building was sold to the Masons, who finished it, and through the winter of 1856 held regular meetings therein. Soon after this building was sold and occupied for mercantile purposes, the Lodge built a hall on Clay Street, which was used until Dec. 29, 1865, when it was burned with all the records and furniture. This was a hard blow to the brethren, especially the loss of the records; but they soon rallied and four days later, Jan. 2, 1866, a special communication was held, when action was taken to rebuild and committees appointed to superintend the work. Hon. Grove B. Cooley was in the East; Riley Mantor in the West, and George W. Slocum in the South on this occasion. Our present records commence on this date; all other data here given is gleaned from copies of charters and registers supplied by the Grand Lodge, and the files of the Mantorville Express. Jan. 6, 1857, a charter was granted to this Lodge, the instrument being directed to Frank Mantor, Worshipful Master; John B. Hubbell, Senior Warden; Jas. M. Ryder, Junior Warden; the thirteen persons heretofore named constituted

the membership, several others soon took the degrees. The names of A. T. C. Pierson, as Grand Master of the Grand Lodge, and Geo. W. Prescott, Grand Secretary, were signed to the charter.

Jan. 8, 1907, this Lodge celebrated its Semi-Centennial, Bro. Riley Mantor contributing a paper on the early history of this Lodge, which is of value, extracts of which I embody herewith:

"I have received information through a brother that you are going to celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of our Lodge in an appropriate and becoming manner, with a request that I give a few reminiscences of its early history.

"Our first meetings were like those of our ancient brethren—sometimes held upon high hills, sometimes in the low valleys and sometimes under the shadow of the giant oak.

"After selling this hall in 1864, we built another on Clay Street, and here we laid the first corner stone, Masonically, that was laid in southern Minnesota. It was laid by Brother Cooley and myself, he being the master of ceremonies. After the stone was laid, squared and leveled, I poured on the oil (I think it was kerosene oil), Brother Cooley declared it laid in due Masonic form. I asked him about the corn, wine and oil, and he said we would dispense with the corn and go down town and get the wine.

"If I could turn the wheels of time backward and view the long line of brothers who have passed the portals of our Lodge, and could find but one who had stood with me on the checkered floors more than fifty years ago, it would bring to my mind thoughts of deepest sadness; I would feel like exclaiming,

'O vain and inconstant world,
O fleeting and transient life.'

"Brother Crampton, it seems you and I are the only ones here to-night who were among the founders of this Lodge; let me ask where are the Mantors, Edgerton, Cooley, Lord, and a host I could name? They are not here. Brother Crampton, we have only to go up on the hill to yonder cemetery and pass through the gates into the city of the sleeping dead; the dumb marble says to us in unmistakable language: here they are; they have joined the great army of Masons whose number no man can enumerate; they are following their leader, the Grand Architect of the universal worlds."

Like most Lodges, No. 11 has had its years of prosperity, ditto adversity. Among its membership have been those who have attained distinction; a few, riches in this world's goods, and many those riches of mind and manhood, which, to the reflective person, far outweigh all other possessions. No. 11 has furnished from its membership one Grand Master of the Grand Lodge, Hon. Grove B. Cooley, elected

in 1872, who served one year; Bro. Cooley died July 16, 1884, and was buried with Masonic honors at this place, officers of the Grand Lodge and members of No. 11 attending in a body. "He was a man of brilliant mind and kindly heart." (See G. L. Report 1885, page 13.) Among those already honored by the Grand Lodge, we find the names of Bros. Frank Mantor and Alonzo J. Edgerton, as Grand Senior Wardens; Bro. Ambrose La Due, Grand Junior Warden. Bro. Mantor died Jan. 18, 1895, in Crawford County, Pa., and was buried by the Lodge that made him a Mason. Bro. Edgerton's history in this state is well and favorably known of all men. He attained distinction through merit, ability and the friendship of his fellows, whom he served honestly and well. He was U. S. Senator from Minnesota, Rail Road Commissioner, and Judge of the U. S. District Court for South Dakota; he died Aug. 9, 1896, and was followed to his last resting place by his brothers of No. 11 and representatives of the Grand Lodge.

"Gently the fetters fall, softly the angels call, when good men die."

Bro. Ambrose La Due is now a resident of Mount Dora, Florida, but still retains his membership in this Lodge, which at present has a membership of sixty, with M. C. Shaver as Worshipful Master; F. C. Calhoun, Senior Warden; James M. Patterson, Junior Warden. The time and space which can be given this sketch by those who have asked for it (both of which, we realize, are limited), constrain us to bring it to a close with this quotation from Bro. G. E. Dodge, Grand Orator (1875) of Arkansas.

"There comes a time, it comes to all,
When we shall hear the Warden's call,
And each, with ASHLER ROUGH or true,
Must pass Death's solemn portals through.
Be it yours, brother, then to hear
From the Master's lips these words of cheer:
'Your work is found both true and square, Pass ON.'"

It being thought desirable that more suitable and convenient accommodations be had for our Annual Reunions, a committee, consisting of the Past Grand Masters of Minnesota who are members of our Association, was appointed to confer with the officers of the Grand Lodge to that end. Bro. A. D. Countryman, chairman.

After the President's address, proceeded to the election of officers for the year 1908.

Bro. A. D. Countryman offered the resolution, that Bro. John A. Schlener be authorized to cast the unanimous vote of the Association for the reelection of the officers who have served during the past year. There being no objection, it was so ordered, and the ballot resulted as follows:

OFFICERS FOR THE YEAR 1908.

Bro. Thomas Chalmers Clark, Stillwater, President.

Bro. William Pitt Murray, St. Paul, First Vice President.

Bro. John Winthrop Eddy, Morris, Second Vice President.

Bro. Israel Barnard Baldwin Sprague, St. Paul, Treasurer.

Bro. Giles William Merrill, St. Paul, Secretary.

Bro. Sheldon Lord Frazer, Duluth, Marshal.

Bro. Rev. Samuel George Smith, D.D., St. Paul, was appointed Chaplain for the present year.

The general business of the Association being completed the members, to the number of about one hundred and fifty repaired to the banquet room, to participate in the more social duties and enjoyments of the occasion.

ANNUAL FEAST.

A letter of greeting from the Masonic Veteran Association of South Dakota was presented by P. G. M. W. C. Allen.

WESSINGTON SPRINGS, S. D., Jan. 16, 1908.

To the Officers and Brethren of the Minnesota Masonic Veteran Association, St. Paul, Minnesota.

VENERABLE BRETHREN: The Masonic Veterans Association of South Dakota sends greeting to their brethren of Minnesota, with the desire that the Associations may in the future be more fraternal and set an example of fellowship and brotherhood that the brethren who have not been so long in the way may desire to emulate by becoming members of the Associations as quickly as possible.

Wishing you a prosperous New Year, I remain

Yours fraternally,

CHAS. W. McDONALD,

President Masonic Veterans Association of South Dakota.

After giving proper attention to the duties of the occasion at the banquet table, President Clark proposed the first toast of the evening—The Most Worshipful, the Grand Lodge of Minnesota.

Response by P. G. Master E. W. Durant as follows:

Mr. President and Venerable Brethren of the Masonic Veteran Association of the Grand Masonic Jurisdiction of Minnesota:

Sometime over half a century gone by, the brethren of three Masonic Lodges, few in membership, but zealous in purpose, took coöperative measures looking toward the instituting and constituting a body known and recognized as the Grand Lodge of Masons of Minnesota.

The three Lodges, imitating the example of Solomon, King of Israel; Hiram, King of Tyre, and our lamented Grand Master, Hiram Abif, instituted and constituted a Masonic Temple wherein no sound of hammer or chisel was heard. The structure erected by our brethren was unlike the Temple of Solomon, in that the building was not of stone, marble or precious metal. The foundation was based upon man's fraternal feeling for man. The entire edifice was builded and strengthened by mental strength. The labor employed was the Labor of Love guided by Wisdom.

Our brethren of the three Lodges constituting a Masonic triune, marking a valuable epoch in the Masonic Annals of the beginning and progress of Masonry not only in this Grand Jurisdiction, but throughout the entire Northwest; building better than they knew, the founders of our Grand Lodge, from the feeble candlelights here and there ensconced about the walls of their primitive halls, but with their zeal and purpose strengthened by the three Great Lights, kindled a flame that has never been, nor will be, extinguished. Many of you, my fraters, can bear witness of the trials in early days. You can recall the long and dreary night journeys to attend Lodge meeting, to keep the Lodge from losing its charter. Once the Divine mandate was, "Let there be light, and there was light," and now the dark days, incidental to Masonic pioneer life, have passed way. The wish for more light has been granted us, and we as Masons may well exclaim *Eureka*.

We are assembled on this occasion as officers and representatives of our magnificent Masonic home—the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Minnesota. Our duty is to legislate for the best interest of the Fraternity who have entrusted to us the honor and responsibility incidental to the best interests of our Masonic brethren throughout this Grand Jurisdiction.

Brethren, this Grand Lodge is the Alma Mater of many of you, and the pride of all Masons of the acknowledgment and obedience of our Grand Lodge.

The records of this Grand Lodge carry the names of men who have not only held high places, and your warmest friendship as Masons, but whose names are inscribed on the rolls of honor, both in our state and national archives. In conclusion, I must add the past has been ours. Each of you remember and always will remember your first entrance to the Grand Lodge. You will never forget the feeling of awe and reverence that came over you as you looked upon the Grand East. You have never before been in any assemblage environed as that. You then realized that the Grand Lodge of Minnesota was the consistent and vigilant guardian of our Masonic right—a mother to whom you can confide your wants and troubles, feeling assured that your petition will be carefully considered and relief consistent with your request granted.

The principal address of the evening was given by Bro. George E. Satterlee, Grand Chaplain of the Grand Lodge, as follows:

Mr. Toastmaster and Venerable Brethren:

Many and deep are the mysteries of life. The problems which confront us in this brief stay on earth are not easy of solution. The man who thinks of himself and his life and his relation to all things about him must come to the conclusion that he himself is the greatest mystery of all.

Man in his primitive state, feeling for the first time the perplexities in the midst of which he stood, and without the exact knowledge of any personality or being greater than himself, must have felt many unanswerable questions in his soul: With the passing of the centuries and the ages, these questions and all these mysteries have deepened. When man began his first lessons and received his first divine impressions, when God told him the earth on which he stood was brought into being at the command of his word and was but the work of a moment in the eternities, the problem of himself deepened, and he became more and more perplexed. As the ages passed, man began to assert himself and to search the land, the sea and the sky for knowledge. He measured the circumference of the earth and its diameter, weighed the mountains and the little hills and measured the waters of the sea. He constructed a mighty eye, and looking out into God's universe measured the millions of miles between suns and planets, threw his measuring line about them and even discovered the substance of which they are made; and the more he learned of the vastness of the universe the more insignificant he felt. Even the Psalmist, the sweet singer of old, said: "When I consider the heavens the work of Thy fingers, the moon and the stars which Thou hast ordained, what is man that Thou art mindful of him, and the son of man that Thou visitest him?" Of what little consequence we are. The correct answer to this question may never be given to the sons of man. Unless man is something more than these comparisons would indicate, he is a mystery which cannot be explained.

We must admit that man takes a second place in duration, strength and majesty when compared with some of the most common things of every-day life. We have often had our attention called to the fact that life is brief and that time is fleeting, but none of us realize that, in its full importance. It is not only a fact that human life is short, but that it is very brief compared with common things with which we are every day associated.

Several years ago I took my first journey over the prairies of Western Minnesota. That was not so very long ago, there were but few trees in any of the villages through which I passed. Some public-

spirited men were talking of the advisability of planting trees, and a few were pausing long enough in the midst of the business of raising wheat, to plant them. A few years passed by, and last summer I passed and repassed through the same country. Great trees are standing in the streets of the villages, and the farmhouses are obscured by the growing forests. While visiting in one of the villages, my attention was called to the fact that a grateful people had placed in a church a memorial window to a man who had years before urged the people to plant trees. I inquired about this man and found that he had for several years been sleeping beneath the clods of the valley. I went out upon the street and put my hand on some of the trees which he had planted in former years. They were not yet full grown, and I realized that several generations of this man's posterity would pass away before they should begin to show the signs of age. You know that it is a common thing for one returning to his childhood home to find still standing on the old homestead the trees which sheltered his father and his father's father, and feel in his own heart that long after he has passed out into the Great Unknown they shall remain.

More than nineteen hundred years ago the angels sang their song to the shepherds of Bethlehem, saying unto them: "Unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour which is Christ the Lord." If, upon that morning it had been possible for one to have had a vision of the face of the earth, he would doubtless have seen yonder on the Pacific slope a fair-sized sapling of a tree, getting its first lessons in repelling a tempest. In thirty-three years after that morning we behold upon a hill outside the walls of Jerusalem three crosses, and upon the central cross is the man who was the babe in Bethlehem's manger. Since that time a great church has been erected upon the personality and teachings of that Man; generations of teachers and thinkers have passed away, wars have been waged and nations have risen and fallen, but yonder on the Pacific slope still stands the tree which stood there on the morning that Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea. Considering these things might we not ask, what is man?

We are every day dealing with material things which were hoary with age long before we came here to live our little life. I have already indicated that the trees of the forest were old when we were born, and that we shall pass away, but they will remain. The very gold and silver and all the metals were hidden away in the earth "when the morning stars sang together and all the sons of God shouted for joy."

Even in the animal kingdom we shall find that many living creatures despised by man outlast him. Many of the fishes of the sea outlive him, and the slow-going turtle enjoys his youth while four generations of men are passing away. The crawling serpents outlive the man who walks uprightly by hundreds of years. God seems to have

bestowed upon some things, which we call ugly, greater honor in life than upon the man whom he made. Why then should he have so much pleasure in frail and ever departing man?

Man is also greatly overreached in strength. His puny strength is brought to nothing. The wild animal of the forest and the plain is more than a match for him, while he is dependent on common domestic animals for the strength to do the tasks which his limited ability forbids that he shall perform. The wild wind from the West will in a moment lay in ruins the buildings which have required years of toil and industry to erect, while the awful fury of the flood cannot be resisted. He is at the mercy of a thousand forces which are able to crush and destroy him from off the face of the earth. How helpless the farmer feels when the almost invisible insect robs his granaries of their stores. Everywhere "moth and rust doth corrupt and thieves break through and steal." In the face of all these forces over which man has no control, where is all his boasted strength?

Once again, in the field of nature we find that majesty often comes with old age. The mountain is made majestic by battling with the elements for ages, and his bald summit and craggy rocks are lifted above the clouds. The majesty of a tree comes with age, and the forest primeval is majestic beyond all description; but man when he is old is stooped and slow of limb. Some one brings him his cane and little children pass him on the way. Old age brings a broken body bowed down under the care and labor of years. Age is often miserable beyond all description; blind, palsied, deaf and feeble, men go tottering to their early graves. These few observations show us that in duration, strength and majesty man is outclassed by common things. In comparison with much with which man has to do in his short life, "He is like the grass which groweth up and in the evening is cut down and withereth."

There is a Book in the world which tells us that God has made wonderful preparations for man. We read of God's love, His patience and His great care in man's salvation and development. If God has bestowed more abundant love on man, then it follows that there must be something more valuable in man than in all the rest of creation. We can come at this best by referring to some of the things which we have previously stated.

While we compared man in duration to the great tree which has stood for two thousand years, more or less, yet in most things man cannot be so compared. The great tree has stood like a giant for hundreds of years, but has been of little influence upon the world about it. It has no power to change its location, and outside of a comparatively small circle has had no influence upon the world. Its branches have cast their shadow for only a few rods, and although it lifts its

head to the sky, it has no power to utter a groan, to smile, or to shed a tear. No heart within it beats with an inexpressible desire for God, and its voice has never been lifted in prayer. It has no sorrows, and never rejoices in some new found thought or friend. Its heart has never been torn by hate, nor was it ever melted by the tender influence of love. The savage standing beneath its tall and spreading branches has looked out over the sea and to the sky and has asked questions and felt emotions which this giant tree in all its storm-tossed years has never felt, and cried out blindly in his soul for a God which all the trees of the forest have never known.

It is also true that man cannot be properly classed with the lower orders of animal life although they outclass him in duration, he stands as a peer of all creation in quality of life. The wild animal of the forest and plain, the fishes of the sea, and the reptiles of the sea and land have none of them builded cities, subdued the wilderness, learned God's language or thought God's thoughts. Man in his little life leaves a greater impression on the world than a thousand animals who live long and are strong. The mind of man—his spirit,—his soul, these are the things which differentiate him from all the rest of God's creation.

I said also that man is outclassed in strength. It is true that this is so; but his mighty mind has harnessed some of these forces and is making them do his bidding. True there are some forces, and the mightiest of them, over which he has no power, but the Book says that man was created to have dominion over earth. I think that is true, and that the time will come when all these forces of wind, storm and fire will be the obedient slaves of man. Some day man will stop the burning of destructive fires, hold back the flood from its awful purpose, stop the mighty tempest ere it destroys him and even speak peace to the sea, and it shall obey. All these things and forces will be as playthings in the hands of man when he has arisen to the full realization of his ability to rule.

More than these things, let me further observe that so far as we know man is God's only intelligent companion. We have heard something in a meager way about angels and the like, but so far as we know, man is God's only intelligent, willing companion. I am sure that God loves this natural world. I say I am sure of that, for I never look upon a landscape or a mountain or the sea or the forest without repeating in my emotions the feelings which must have surged through the heart of God as he looked upon them through all the ages. I know that God loves the flowers, the green fields, the running brooks, the rivers, lakes and forests, for he made me to love them, and he must have had that quality in infinite quantity or he could not have bestowed it upon me. I say He must have loved the world, and I am sure He

does, but as I find no companionship in forest and lakes, so I am sure he does not. I may profess that I make the landscape my companion and bind myself to the trees and rocks as my friends, but with them alone and without human association and companionship they would be poor indeed; but give me my beloved to walk by my side and my God to hear my prayers, and you may remove them all and still my heart will rejoice and be glad. So God heard no prayer, no word of love, no song of praise from any intelligent being until man looking up from the earth with eyes half blinded and ears hardly unstopped began to frame his first crude prayers and to sing his first songs of love. The privilege of being a companion with God, a companion in thought and in plan and purpose, and one with whom God is pleased to commune, is greater and more honorable than all else besides.

I would also bring to your notice that fact that man's relation to man, while as yet little understood, places him in a class entirely by himself. Men help or hinder each other. They bless or curse. This fact sets man in a lofty place. Out of the interdependence in human society comes all the progress of the race. No man who would be the most useful will try to live to himself and despise other men, but he will seek to unite his strength to others for the purpose of the onward movement of the human family. We have our orders and secret societies, our churches and our clubs, and we feel ourselves obligated to those to whom we are thus associated. But from the loftiest point of view we shall see ourselves closely related to all the men, women and children of the world, and we shall hear more clearly the call which would lead us to service to our fellows. The man most interested in all other men has a heart nearest like the heart of God. I feel that there is not a man or woman or child in this city or elsewhere so sinful and degraded and miserable as to have no part in my sympathy or to my manhood strength in time of need.

"There are hermit souls that live withdrawn
In the place of their self-content;
There are souls, like stars, that dwell apart
In a fellowless firmament;
There are pioneer souls that blaze their paths
Where highways never ran;
But let me live by the side of the road,
And be a friend to man.

"Let me live in a house by the side of the road
Where the race of men go by;
The men who are good and the men who are bad
As good and as bad as I.

I would not sit in the scorner's seat,
Nor hurl the cynic's ban;
Let me live in a house by the side of the road,
And be a friend to man.

"I see from my house by the side of the road,
By the side of the highway of life,
The men who press with the ardor of hope,
The men who are faint with the strife.
But I turn not away from their smiles nor their tears,
Both parts of an infinite plan;
Let me live in a house by the side of the road,
And be a friend to man.

"I know there are brook-gladdened meadows ahead,
And mountains of wearisome height;
And the road passes on through the long afternoon,
And stretches away to the night.
But still I rejoice when the travelers rejoice,
And weep for the strangers that moan,
Nor live in my house by the side of the road,
Like a man who dwells alone.

"Let me live in my house by the side of the road,
Where the race of men go by;
They are good, they are bad, they are weak, they are strong,
Wise, foolish—and so am I.
Then why should I sit in the scorner's seat,
Or hurl the cynic's ban?
Let me live in my house by the side of the road,
And be a friend to man."

Now last and certainly not the least in importance, man is more glorious than all the rest of God's creations because he was not born to die. While many things in the material realm outlast him, still he shall outlast all. Some day the sun shall cease his burning, and the solar system shall cease to be. Some day the stars of light shall go out, and darkness shall take the place of light; but in that day when the heavens shall be rolled together as a scroll, and the elements shall melt with a fervent heat, and when the earth and all that is therein shall be burned up, then shall I stand in the house of many mansions and lifting my voice in grateful praise to him, thank God that he created me a man. Then let us lift our faces to the sun, and, when our feeble bodies go tottering with age, let us feel that the

forces within shall never die, and may we look for the breaking of a morning whose sun shall never set, for in immortality man is the most godlike being in all the universe.

The exercises in the banquet hall closed, and the Association adjourned about 11 o'clock.

Receipts for the evening:

From 10 petitions at \$5.00.....	\$50.00
From 2 badges sold.....	3.00
From 2 copies of proceedings.....	2.00
	\$55.00

GILES W. MERRILL,

Secretary.



GOOD-BYE! COME AGAIN.

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ROSTER OF MEMBERS OF THE MASONIC VETERAN ASSOCIATION OF MINNESOTA.—Continued from 1907.

Cate No.	NAME	RESIDENCE (Minnesota)	Date Made Master Muson	Date of Election to Membership in M. V. A.	PRESENT LODGE MEMBERSHIP	
					Lodge	No. State
632	Edgar H. Cutter.....	St. Paul.....	June 19, 1883	April 26, 1907	Rising Sun.....	49 Minn.
633	Amund Dahl.....	Bird Island.....	Dec. 31, 1883	April 26, 1907	Bird Island.....	144 Minn.
634	John Stephen Renninger	Marshall.....	May 14, 1884	June 27, 1907	Delta.....	119 Minn.
635	Jerome F. Patten.....	Morton.....	Dec. 22, 1885	Aug. 5, 1907	Morton.....	252 Minn.
636	Charles John Bevan.....	Villard.....	Nov. 17, 1885	Aug. 5, 1907	Hennepin.....	4 Minn.
637	Herman W. Phillips.....	St. Paul.....	April 16, 1886	Aug. 5, 1907	St. Paul.....	3 Minn.
638	Wilder R. Holly.....	Villard.....	July 27, 1885	Oct. 24, 1907	Sincerity.....	161 Minn.
639	James F. Taylor.....	Waseca.....	Nov. 11, 1884	Oct. 24, 1907	Sincerity.....	161 Minn.
640	Syene Merrill.....	St. Paul.....	Jan. 24, 1887	Dec. 19, 1907	Tuscan.....	77 Minn.
641	Arthur T. Wheeler.....	St. Paul.....	Sept. 24, 1875	Dec. 31, 1907	Braden.....	168 Minn.
642	Robert McMullen.....	Minneapolis.....	Mar. 12, 1881	Jan. 21, 1908	Minneapolis.....	19 Minn.
643	Frank H. Carleton.....	Minneapolis.....	April 24, 1886	Jan. 21, 1908	Minneapolis.....	19 Minn.
644	John Gunther.....	St. Paul.....	Dec. 21, 1884	Jan. 21, 1908	St. Paul.....	3 Minn.
645	Jacob Daniel Smetzer.....	Minneapolis.....	Dec. 21, 1885	Jan. 21, 1908	Cataract.....	2 Minn.
646	Louis Henry Luckner.....	Minneapolis.....	Mar. 27, 1885	Jan. 21, 1908	Minneapolis.....	19 Minn.
647	Frank Willis Cook.....	Cokato.....	Dec. 15, 1879	Jan. 21, 1908	Cokato.....	134 Minn.
648	Frank Gilbert Houghton.....	Minneapolis.....	April 17, 1882	Jan. 21, 1908	Khurum.....	112 Minn.
649	Frank M. Shepard.....	Park Rapids.....	Nov. 27, 1882	Jan. 21, 1908	Hennepin.....	184 Minn.
650	Edwin A. Gunn.....	Minneapolis.....	Jan. 27, 1884	Jan. 21, 1908	Stell.....	184 Minn.
651	Francis Leven.....	St. Paul.....	Mar. 11, 1882	Jan. 21, 1908	Minneapolis.....	19 Minn.
652	John Fishel.....	St. Paul.....	Dec. 20, 1886	Jan. 21, 1908	St. Paul.....	18 Minn.
653	Felton Vollmer.....	Winsted.....	Jan. 30, 1869	Jan. 21, 1908	Arcturion.....	190 Minn.
654	Gustavus W. Barck.....	Winsted.....	Sept. 30, 1873	Jan. 21, 1908	Arcturion.....	240 Minn.
655	M. Erwin Matthews.....	Ortonville.....	April 17, 1873	Jan. 21, 1908	Star.....	26 Minn.
656	Hugh Christopher Maguier	Ortonville.....	Dec. 1, 1865	Jan. 21, 1908	Lake View.....	143 Minn.
657	George Markert.....	Melrose.....	Dec. 1, 1882	Jan. 21, 1908	Melrose.....	145 Minn.
658	Timothy H. Bliss.....	St. Paul.....	April 6, 1886	Jan. 21, 1908	Ancient Landmark.....	21 Minn.
659	Lewis Adolphus Runge.....	Rochester.....	May 26, 1886	Jan. 22, 1908	Rochester.....	21 Minn.
660	George Washington Cooley.....	Minneapolis.....	Feb. 4, 1874	Jan. 22, 1908	Minneapolis.....	19 Minn.
661	Victor Hine Stough.....	Minneapolis.....	Sept. 7, 1868	Jan. 22, 1908	Arcturion.....	176 Minn.
662	George Alfred Morse.....	Minneapolis.....	Dec. 6, 1871	Jan. 22, 1908	Minneapolis.....	224 Minn.
663	David Arvieve Clark.....	Minneapolis.....	Dec. 4, 1882	Jan. 22, 1908	Cataract.....	112 Minn.
664	Samuel Anderson.....	Minneapolis.....	April 4, 1882	Jan. 22, 1908	Khurum.....	112 Minn.
665	Fred D. Waterman.....	Minneapolis.....	Sept. 26, 1874	Jan. 22, 1908	Minneapolis.....	224 Minn.
666	Alton T. Hall.....	Elk River.....	Sept. 16, 1884	Jan. 22, 1908	Sherburne.....	95 Minn.
667	Horace Mann Weston.....	St. Paul.....	June 9, 1886	Feb. 22, 1908	Shelkinnah.....	171 Minn.
668	J. Edward Meyers.....	Minneapolis.....	Feb. 17, 1887	Feb. 18, 1908	Hennepin.....	4 Minn.
669		Minneapolis.....	May 27, 1884	Feb. 18, 1908	Mystic.....	405 Ohio.

M. J. W. J. GRAND MASTER OF MASONS OF MINNESOTA
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OFFICERS OF THE
Grand Lodge of A.:F.:& A.:M.:
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ELECTED:

M.:W.: BRO. WILLIAM P. ROBERTS	1006 Met. Life Bldg., Minneapolis	GRAND MASTER
R.:W.: BRO. EUGENE E. SWAN	Stewart	DEPUTY GRAND MASTER
R.:W.: BRO. WILLIAM B. PATTON	Duluth	SENIOR GRAND WARDEN
R.:W.: BRO. ELMER A. KLING	Little Falls	JUNIOR GRAND WARDEN
R.:W.: BRO. DAVID W. KNOWLTON	Minneapolis	GRAND TREASURER
R.:W.: BRO. JOHN FISHEL	315 Dispatch Bldg., St. Paul	GRAND SECRETARY

APPOINTED:

W.: BRO. WILLIAM C. ODFEL	Chaska	GRAND ORATOR
W.: BRO. GEORGE E. SATTERLEE	St. Paul	GRAND CHAPLAIN
W.: BRO. OWEN MORRIS	St. Paul	SENIOR GRAND DEACON
W.: BRO. LESLIE A. HANES	Albert Lea	JUNIOR GRAND DEACON
W.: BRO. ROBERT E. DENFELD	Duluth	GRAND MARSHAL
W.: BRO. WILLIAM A. HAWKINS	Marshall	GRAND STANDARD BEARER
W.: BRO. ELBERT W. ROSSMAN	Chatfield	GRAND SWORD BEARER
W.: BRO. FRANK J. MEYST	Minneapolis	SENIOR GRAND STEWARD
W.: BRO. GEORGE D. LABAR	Brainerd	JUNIOR GRAND STEWARD
W.: BRO. RUSSELL SPICER	Willmar	GRAND PURSUIVANT
W.: BRO. JOHN H. LUDWIG	Merriam Park	GRAND TYLER

COMMITTEE ON CORRESPONDENCE.

IRVING TODD, Hastings.	JOHN FISHEL, St. Paul.
A. O. EBERHART, Mankato.	

BOARD OF CUSTODIANS.

DAVID W. KNOWLTON, Minneapolis, Chairman. Term Expires, 1911.	
WM. R. SMITH Benson. Term Expires, 1910.	JOHN H. SPROUT, Blue Earth. Term Expires, 1912
HENRY M. TUSLER, St. Paul. Term Expires, 1909.	JOHN COX, Duluth. Term Expires, 1913

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